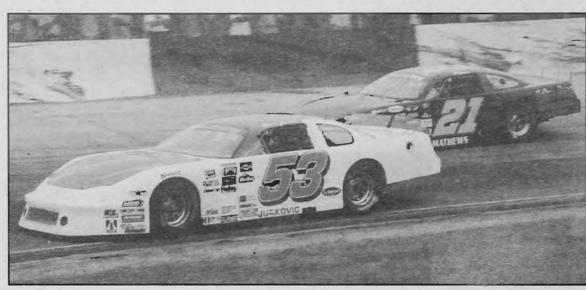


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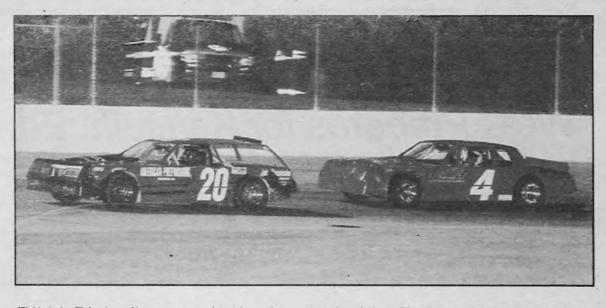
A rim-riding Tim Kaeding (83) holds off Steve Kinser (11) for the lead in the closing stages of the World of Outlaws Sprint Series A-main on Saturday night at the Sheboygan County Fair Park in Plymouth, WI. See Page 2. (Mike Spitzer photo)



Boris Jurkovic (53) and fast qualifier Ryan Matthews (21) battle for third place during Sunday's George Appleton Memorial 125 at the Grundy County Speedway in Morris, IL. See Page (Darrel Kennedy photo)

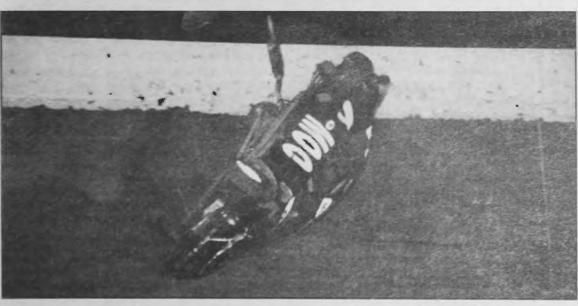


At the start of the WDLMA-sanctioned feature on Saturday night at Thunderhill Raceway in Sturgeon Bay, WI, eventual race winner Nick Anvelink (1a) puts a move on Tim Lemirande (7x). See Page 4. (Dan Lewis photo)

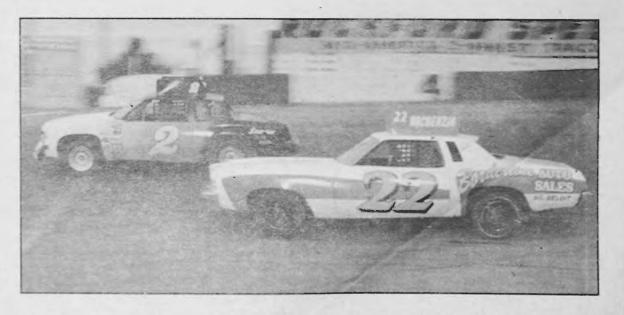


Rikki Bishofberger (20) tries to hold off the charging Don Trush (4) for the lead in Friday's street stock feature at Columbus 151 Speedway. Trush got by Bishofberger and continued on for the win. See Page 7.

(D's Racing Imagery photo)



The "MOO" car becomes the "Oow" car as Mike Mueller barrel-rolled during the Dirt Devils A-main Saturday at The Raceway at Powercom Park in Beaver Dam, WI. He went over several times but was not hurt. See Page 8. (Rich photo)



Vachenzia Jester (22) scored two second-place finishes to earn the overall win in Winged Women on Wheels action as the Rockford (IL) Speedway opened its Wednesday night summer schedule of racing. See Page 9.

(Marty Langenberg photo)

Kaeding Conquers Plymouth Track for First WoO Victory of '05

PLYMOUTH, WI, June 11 -- Tim Kaeding used the cushion to run to his first World of Outlaws Sprint Series victory of the season Saturday night at Sheboygan County Fair Park.

The night was delayed by a thunderstorm around 5 pm, so by the time the racing surface was ready the schedule had to be altered in order to meet the track's 11 pm curfew. With 49 cars in the pits, time trials were tossed out for the first time for the Series since July 1990 at Williams Grove, and dashes also were lost in an effort to complete the race. Instead, cars were lined up for five heats by the order in which they drew for time trials, and passing points were used to score the heats and determine the A- and B-main fields.

In the 40-lap main event Joey Saldana charged to the lead from the pole, while Jason Meyers and Kaeding battled for second before Kaeding grabbed the position. As the leaders ran through traffic, Steve Kinser maneuvered around his son Kraig to grab fourth on lap 10 while Saldana drove up to the cushion to maintain his 0.8-second advantage over Kaeding.

Kaeding carried his momentum around the high side, and on lap 23 he slid by Saldana as they came off of turn 4, just before Jason Solwold brought out the caution when he jumped the cushion and stopped. Pushing hard to stay in front of Saldana and Kinser on lap 27, Kaeding raced down the frontstretch with his front wheels in the air. Three laps later Kinser tangled with Saldana while battling for second and both cars spun, and Saldana's stopped car brought out a caution and put Kinser directly behind Kaeding.

On the restart, Kaeding shot to the cushion while Kinser worked the bottom, and Kinser sliced into Kaeding's advantage and stole the lead on lap 34. But as the white flag came out Kinser and Kaeding came up on traffic; Kinser went low and got stuck behind the slower car, while Kaeding shot back to the cushion and into the lead, then held on during the final lap to claim his first victory of the season by 0.56 seconds over Kinser.



Tim Kaeding (83) rides the cushion to put Tim Shaffer (6) a lap down during the WoO sprint A-main Saturday night at Plymouth. (Mike Spitzer photo)



Jason Sides (7s) and Craig Dollansky (7) battle for position during the WoO A-main Saturday at Plymouth. Dollansky finished 12th and (Dick Jepsen photo)

Finishing third was Meyers, followed by Kraig Kinser, Donny Schatz, Daryn Pittman, Shane Stewart, Brooke Tatnell, Terry McCarl and Travis Rilat.

"Steve messed up just a little bit and I got right back around him in lapped traffic," said Kaeding. "That was it. He went low, the lapped car went to the bottom, and I went to the top and just prayed I didn't crash. It

was a perfect ending to a long night. "It was just unbelievable. (The track) was greasy all night, but once it came in it got a big old curb around the top, and that was all she wrote.

"That was our turning point ... He messed up one time, and I just said, 'Okay, I'm either going to make it or I'm going to crash,' and I made it."

In the B-main, Brandon Wimmer grabbed the lead coming out of Turn 2 and drove off with the victory to continue his strong efforts in qualifying races. Also transferring the the feature were Tim Shaffer, Craig



Brandon Wimmer (7tw) spins in turn 2 during the fifth qualifying heat Saturday. He was able to continue and finish fifth for the final transfer spot to the A-main. Getting by safely is Brian Kristan (5k). (Dick Jepsen photo)



Terry McCarl (24) and Brooke Tatnell (8) race for position in Saturday's A-main at Sheboygan County Fair Park. Tatnell finished eighth; McCarl was ninth. (Mike Spitzer photo)

Dollansky and Joe Roe.

With passing points from the heats used to set the field for the feature, heat race winners included Kaeding, Donny Schatz, Steve Meyer, Jason Sides and Saldana. For Sides, it was his third consecutive event with a heat race victory.

RESULTS **WORLD OF OUTLAWS SPRINT SERIES**

Qualifying: cancelled due to rain. Heat 1: Tim Kaeding, Wayne Modjeski,

Brian Paulus. Heat 2: Donny Schatz, Jason Meyers,

Heat 3: Steve Meyer, Travis Rilat, Kim Heat 4: Jason Sides, Daryn Pittman,

Shane Stewart. Heat 5: Joey Saldana, Scott Neitzel, Steve Kinser

C-Main: Troy Wondra, Jason Johnson, Scott Biertzer

B-Main: Brandon Wimmer, Tim Shaffer, Craig Dollansky.

A-Main: Kaeding, S. Kinser, Meyers, K. Kinser, Schatz, Pittman, Stewart, Brooke Tatnell, Terry McCarl, Rilat

WCS Prepares for Kenseth, Edwards, LaJoie, 'All-Star Challenge'

KAUKAUNA, WI, June 9 -- Some of the fiercest competitors in area asphalt super late model competition will have the opportunity to compete against NASCAR drivers on their own turf, when the Wisconsin Challenge Series sanctions the Factory Motor Parts All-Star Challenge, presented by Roy Kenseth's RK Racing Promotions, at Wisconsin International Raceway on Tuesday night, June 21.

NASCAR Cup champion Matt Kenseth, rising star Carl Edwards and NASCAR Busch Series champ Randy LaJoie will take on an expected 50-plus WSC super late model field in a 100-lap feature contest that will pay a solid \$5,000 to win, 100-



Matt Kenseth (I) and Carl Edwards will compete with the Wisconsin Challenge Series super late model regulars during the June 21 All-Star Challenge at WIR.

lap feature. It is one of the season's most anticipated short-track racing programs.

The opportunity to bring together one of the Midwest's strongest series with Roy Kenseth's program should make for an exciting contest. "Roy has given the Wisconsin Challenge Series a great opportunity to be in the media spotlight by having us come into this special show as the sanctioning group," stated WCS director Jeff Sachse. "It will benefit both of us very well. We'll bring to the table a very talented group of racers who will come in to run in this very special program."

Matt Kenseth grew up on Wisconsin short tracks and won back-to-back track championships at WIR in 1994-'95. Matt also set a standard of four straight victories in weekly competition which has yet to be broken, although Terry Baldry, an 11-time WIR champ, tied the mark in 2002. Kenseth is scheduled to compete in the program in a car prepared by Wood Brothers Fab Shop, with every intention of leaving WIR with a win.

Edwards, who currently leads the Busch Series standings will compete in a machine prepared by Lamers Motorsports, which also fields cars for local driver Jim Duchow. The car Edwards will pilot has already been in WIR's victory lane this season, with Duchow behind the wheel.

Lajoie is scheduled to compete in a car prepared by WCS regular Dean LaPointe of Marshfield, who will also compete on June 21 in a second car.

WCS regulars expected include two-time and defending Series champion Mark Eswein, two-time Dells Motor Speedway champ Jeff Kendell, former NASCAR Truck Series driver Nathan Haseleu, and current WCS points leader Jeremy Lepak. Baldry and Duchow will lead a strong cast of WIR regulars competing that includes Rod Wheeler, Jeff Van Oudenhoven, Lowell



(Fr. Dale Grubba photos) Bennett, Mark Schroeder, Pete Vandermolen, Andy Monday and Tim Rothe.

Grandstand gates will open at 12:30 pm so fans can watch much of the practice session leading up to qualifying, which takes place at 4 pm. The first green flag of the evening will fly at 7. The show will open with a pair of qualifying races used to set the balance of the 100-lap main event.

The feature will start up to 30 cars and will take a break at halfway, to allow drivers a chance to fine-tune their machines for the sprint to the checkered. After the feature, a semi-feature will be held for drivers just missing the feature, and if needed a

consolation race will conclude the show. Full-color general advance seating tickets are still available and will make a great souvenir. A VIP package is also available which includes reserved seating and parking, unlimited food and drinks, an autographed item, an exclusive Q&A session and other benefits.

Tickets are available by Genal's Race Tires in Appleton at (920) 733-4924, DJ's Speed Zone in Plover at (715) 341-3900. or the Matt Kenseth Fan Club Headquarters in Cambridge. General admission tickets are also available on race nights at WIR at the DJ's Speed Zone souvenir trailer located next to the ticket booth. VIP tickets are only available through mail order at http://www.mattkenseth.com/RKRP/WIRTickets.htm or through RK Race Promotions at 10 Water Street, Cambridge, WI 53523.

Wisconsin International Raceway is located near the intersections of Highway 55 and County KK, a mile south of Kaukauna. For additional information please call (920) 766-5577 or (920) 766-5575.

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Hot Laps

Grant County Changes Start Time

LANCASTER, WI, June 13 -- Simmons Promotions, Inc., has changed the start time for racing action at the Grant County Raceway, effective Saturday, June 18.

Hot laps will now start at 6:30 pm, with racing following at

Sides Draws Penalty from WoO Sprint Officials

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO, June 10 -- The World of Outlaws Sprint Series has announced that driver Jason Sides has been fined \$1,000 for violating. Rule 9.13 of the 2005 rulebook during an incident June 1 at Rolling Wheels Raceway Park.

Sides entered Shane Stewart's pit area following that night's B-main, and a physical altercation occurred. The rule states, "(If) any driver or team member (goes) to another pit area or to another car, and physical action results, the person going to the other car will be fined \$1,000. The second offense will double the fine, and the third offense will result in disqualification."

Bud Hutchens Passes

WINSTON-SALEM, NC -- Robert Ray "Bud" Hutchens, 63, father of Richard Childress Racing's Bobby Hutchens, passed away Saturday, June 11, at his home in Winston-Salem

Hutchens, was an enthusiastic fan of racing, owned cars that competed at Bowman Gray Stadium for over 40 years. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Carol Long Hutchens; two sons, Bobby (Sharon) and Kenny (Robin), of Winston-Salem; a daughter, Lisa Thomas (Chris) of Greenville; seven grandchildren; and two sisters, Margaret Edwards and Nancy Tulbert, both of Winston-Salem.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be granted to the American Cancer Society, 4A Oak Branch Drive, Greensboro, NC 27407, or to the Bowman Gray Neurosurgery Dept., Medical Center Blvd., Winston-Salem, NC 27157.

Midwest Enduro to Invade Dells Next

WATERFORD, WI -- The Midwest Enduro Stock Car Series and Midwest Enduro Small Car Series will make its way to the Dells Motor Speedway in Wisconsin Dells on Saturday afternoon, June 25, for the "Alakai Hotel and Suites 250" and the "Alakai Hotel and Suites 100" enduros.

This is the second stop of the season at the Dells for the traveling series. The day will begin with the four-cylinder Small Car Series' 100-lap enduro at 2:30 pm, followed by the 250-lap enduro for the big-car Series. All pit passes will cover the entire day's activities, while front-gate general admission costs will also remain the same as for a regular Saturday evening event there and will also cover all scheduled racing activities.

Rod Brossart leads the current Small Car Series points standings over Jack Rabey, Lenny Adams, Steve Bayer and Tony Riek. In the Stock Car Series, Darryl Traber leads the points over Ralph Fogel, Tom Ruh, Matt Schlick and Mike Beagel. Scott Bodoh is out in front of the current rookie-of-the-year points chase for the stock cars, and Jasyn Brown is first in the Small Car division.

Any non-points drivers who competed in the first event of the season at the Lake Geneva Raceway will be able to compete in the Dells event for the same entry fee as a points member. This discount applies for both Series.

Pit gates open at 11 am, the grandstand opens at 1 pm, and the first event will start at 2:30. For further information call (262) 895-6682 from 5-9 pm or leave a message. For technical questions contact (262) 728-6240 from 6-10 pm weekdays. The track phone number is (608) 254-7822.

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Nathan Haseleu (87) tries to catch leader Jeremy Lepak (40) during the 125-lap George Appleton Memorial at Grundy County Speedway on Sunday night. Lepak would lead Haseleu to the finish.

Lepak Wins George Appleton Memorial 125

by Gib Chev

MORRIS, IL, June 12 -- Wausau, WI's Jeremy Lepak took full advantage of his pole starting position in the seventh annual George Appleton Memorial 125 Sunday afternoon at Grundy County Speedway, and led every lap of the race to win his first-ever CRA Super Seriessanctioned event.

Fellow Wisconsin natives Nathan Haseleu and fast qualifier Ryan Mathews finished second and third, while veteran Midwest racer Dave Weltmeyer ran fourth, and Brent Sontag just beat a hard-charging Eddie Hoffman for fifth by less than half a car-length at the line.

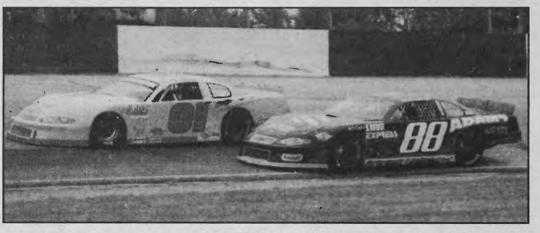
"We worked really hard to get ready for this race," stated a very happy Lepak following the race. "We had a bad deal at Madison (WI, wrecking hard on Friday). The crew worked hard, kept their heads up in a tough time, and this shows how strong we are."

Mathews' invert draw put Lepak on the pole, and Lepak jumped out to an early lead over Boris Jurkovic. Haseleu caught Jurkovic on lap 4 and took over second, then challenged Lepak on nearly every lap after that, never trailing by more than five car-lengths throughout the race. Mathews worked up from his inverted seventh-place start to run third.

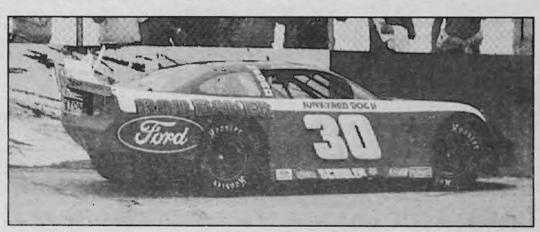
Jurkovic stayed with the lead group before bringing out the first caution of the race on lap 75, after contact with fellow Series regular Hoffman. Both cars went to the tail, but Hoffman charged back through the field to his sixth-place finish, making many passes on both

the high and low sides. The 43 qualifiers for Sunday's event was the largest field of cars for the Series so far this season. After locking in the fastest 16 cars through qualifying, the top two cars from the two qualifying races - Jeff Strom and Tom Smith from race one, and Bill Kippenberg and Rick Corso from race two were joined by drivers using two CRA owner provisionals (Chris Gabehart and Kenny Tweedy), two Grundy County Speedway points provisionals (Pat McCabe and Robert Werkmeister), a past event champion's provisional (J.R. Roahrig), as well as the nextfastest qualifier not in the race (Jerry Cowan) and the firstplace finisher from the lastchance race (Jacob Humphrey) to round out the field of 27 starters.

The next CRA Super Series event is on Saturday, June 18, at Berlin Raceway in Marne, MI. This will be the Series' first visit to Berlin this year. Local favorite Fred



Billy Knippenberg (01) passes Rick Corso (88) for the lead and the win in the second Appleton Memorial qualifying heat race Sunday at Morris.



Larry Schuler spun and hit the wall during the first qualifying heat race Sunday at Grundy County. (Darrel Kennedy photos)

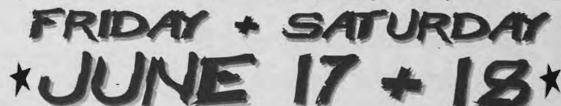
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Anvelink Wins Late Model Feature at Thunderhill Raceway

STURGEON BAY, WI, June 11 --The Wisconsin Dirt Late Models were in the spotlight Saturday night at Thunderhill Raceway.

Nick Anvelink picked up the WDLMA feature win. Pete Parker led the first 11 laps of the 30-lapper, with Anvelink right behind him, until they got into lapped traffic. Anvelink then shot high and passed both Parker and the first lapped car, then set sail to win by about half a lap. Anvelink was followed at the checkers by Parker, Russ Scheffler, Eric Pember and Tim Lemirande.

"I set my car up a little looser than a lot of the other drivers," Anvelink said later. "I wanted my car to be a little looser than the rest of the field. I figured that the other drivers would have a tight set-up in case the track got real dry-slick."

Jay Matthias picked up his second feature win in a row in the modifieds. Chris Derenne led the opening seven laps until the only caution of the race occurred, and Matthias used the inside line on the restart to pass Derenne. Mike Cole then passed Derenne and stayed with Matthias for a couple of laps, but Matthias pulled out to a commanding lead and never looked back, followed by Cole, Eric Van Iten and Sean Jerovetz.

Shawn Kilgore won the stock car feature. B.J. Soquet led the opening five laps until Eugene Gregorich took control, followed by Matt Junio. The top four raced single-file until lap 13,



Thunderhill Raceway fans were treated with some great IMCA modified feature racing Saturday night. Here, Jay Matthias (8m) attempts a three-wide pass around James Tebon (21) and #98 Scott Derenne (98). Matthias became the division's first repeat feature winner at The Hill.

when Kilgore made his move to the top side of the track to pass Junio and then Gregorich for the lead with two laps remaining. Kilgore was followed by Gregorich, Junio and Dave

Eddie Anschutz also won his second feature win in a row, in the hobby stock main event. Derek Moede took the lead for the first three laps while Anschutz, who started eighth, quickly made his way to second using the low line. Anschutz caught Moede and made the pass using the outside line, then led the feature by five car-lengths the rest of the way for his third feature win of the season, followed at the line by Moede, Brandon Peterson and Keith Kickbusch.

Von Eytcheson picked up his fourth feature win of the season in the street stocks. Eytcheson used a high-side pass of Todd Polster to take the lead on lap 7, and Jeremy Wiitala followed suit to stay on Eytcheson's heals. After a caution on lap 5 Eytcheson pulled away and cruised away, followed at the line by Wiitala, Mike Pierrard and Scott Reinhardt.

On Saturday there will be specials on hamburgers all night and beer from 4:30-6 pm with the purchase of a grandstand admission ticket. The street stocks will be the featured



Shawn Kilgore (90) became a two-time IMCA stock car feature winner on Saturday night at Thunderhill with this last-lap pass of Eugene Gregorich (3). (Dan Lewis photos)

class for the evening, and kids ages eight and under will have a chance to win a West Coast Chopper Big Wheel. Racing will start at 6 pm. Thunderhill Raceway is located at the John Miles Fair Park in Sturgeon

RESULTS WDLMA LATE MODELS

Feature: Nick Anvelink, Navarino; Pete Parker, Kaukana; Russ Scheffler; Eric Pember

Heat 1: Scheffler; Terry Anvelink, Navarino.

Heat 2: Anvelink; Tim Lemirande, Verona. **IMCA MODIFIEDS**

Feature: Jay Matthias, DePere; Mike Cole, Baileys Harbor; Eric Van Iten, Green Bay; Sean Jerovetz, Suamico.

Consolation: Jerovetz. Heat 1: Chris Derenne, Luxemburg; Matthias.

Heat 2: Scott Derenne, Luxemburg; James Tebon, Algoma. Heat 3: Dave Zeitler, Luxemburg; Van

IMCA STOCK CARS

Feature: Shawn Kilgore, Kewaunee; Eugene Gregorich, Kewaunee; Matt Junio, Casco; Dave Bouche, Algoma.

Consolation: Jeff Vlies, Kewaunee. Heat 1: Kilgore; B.J. Soquet, Luxemburg. Heat 2: Bouche; Josh Massart, Brussels,

Heat 3: Gregorich; Junio. IMCA HOBBY STOCKS

Feature: Ed Anschutz, Algoma; Derek Moede, Casco; Brandon Peterson, Sturgeon Bay; Keith Kickbusch, Kewaunee.

Heat 1: Tom Brumlic, Denmark; Kickbusch.

Heat 2: Anschutz; Tony Schlei, Zion, IL. STREET STOCKS

Feature: Von Eytcheson, Forestville; Jeremy Wiitala, Green Bay; Mike Pierrard, Green Bay; Scott Reinhardt, Sturgeon Bay. Heat 1: Eytcheson; Todd Polster, Baileys

Heat 2: Johnathan Sternard, Green Bay Scott Iverson, Sturgeon Bay.

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Next Race July 23

Budweiser

KAUKAUNA, WI, June 11 -- The opening race of the Red, White & Blue State Championship Series for MARS late models, Mid-American stock cars and Fox River Racing Club limited late models was rained out Saturday. Heavy rains Friday night and Saturday morning, with predictions for much more rain predicted through Saturday evening forced officials to make an early decision.

The next race of the Red, White & Blue Series will now be Saturday night, July 23, with racing at 7 pm. The next MARS late models race is on Friday night, June 17, at Madison International Speedway in Oregon, while the Mid-American Stock Car Series travels to Lake Geneva Raceway Saturday night, June 18.

All entry fees for the various divisions at WIR will be applied towards July 23.

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RW&B Series Opener Rain Washes Out 'Battle of Burg IV' at Luxemburg

by Joe Verdegan

LUXEMBURG, WI, June 10 -- Heavy rains came in during the fourth late model heat and washed out the balance of the "Battle of the Burg IV" event at Luxemburg Speedway Friday night. A total of 130 cars had checked in for the action, including 30 WDLMA late models.

The event has been rescheduled for Sunday night, July 10. Rain checks will honored for this event. Fans can also exchange their ticket stubs during any weekly show at Luxemburg Speedway and will be paid back the difference.

Racing in all four divisions resumes on Friday, June 17, at 7 pm. The limited late models that compete weekly at Shawano and Manitowoc will also be in action. For more information, call (920) 863-8446; the track phone number is (920) 845-2300.

RESULTS WDLMA LATE MODELS

Feature: rained out.

Semi-Features: rained out.

Heat 1: A.J. Diemel, Bonduel; Russ Scheffler,

Heat 2: Chris Carlson, Greenfield; Rick Scheffler, Waukesha

Heat 3: M.J. McBride, Shawano; Luke Roffers Oneida.

Heat 4: rained out. IMCA MODIFIEDS

All Events: rained out.

IMCA STOCK CARS Feature: rained out.

Semi-Features: rained out. Heat 1: Jason Czarapata, Pulaski; Dave Bouche,

Algoma. Heat 2: Shawn Kilgore, Kewaunee; Eric Van Iten,

Green Bay

Heat 3: Eugene Gregorich, Kewaunee ; Jeff Vlies, Kewaunee Heat 4: Rod Snellenberger, Pulaski, Larry Karcz,

Heat 5: Greg Gretz, Kewaunee; Craig Paque, Algoma,

IMCA HOBBY STOCKS Feature: rained out. Heat 1: Dave DeGrave, Luxemburg; Mike Mueller,

Heat 2: Derek Moede, Casco; Keith Kickbush,

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Grall Memorial Mid-Am Race Planned at 141

FRANCIS CREEK, WI --The annual Dick Grall Memorial 60 Mid-American Stock Car Series race is planned for Saturday night, June 25, at the 141 Speedway.

Series points leader and two-time champion Bill Prietzel of Franklin headlines the list of touring drivers expected from Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Indiana and Iowa. The event will be the first of two Mid-Am stock car races at the quarter-mile paved oval in 2005. The second date is on Saturday night, September

Grall constructed and operated the race track for many years prior to selling to track to current owner Matt Rowe.

Qualifying is slated for 5:30 pm, with racing at 7. Several regular 141 divisions will be included in the program. The track is located on County Trunk R, just north of Francis Creek and east of Interstate 43. Phone (920) 863-3377 for additional information.





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Hoppe Tops Field at MIS; Morrissey, Barber, Padfield Also Win

OREGON, WI, June 10 -- Not even a brief rain delay could cool off the hot racing action Friday night at Madison International Speedway.

Brian Hoppe picked up his first win of the season in the ASA late model feature by leading wire to wire. Hoppe grabbed the early lead and maintained the top spot through a series of early caution flags, while Jared Ziegler held down second. On lap 29 Tom Gille passed Ziegler for second and brought fast qualifier Bobby Wilberg along, and a caution for a spin on lap 31 negated Hoppe's sizable advantage over the field. But on the restart Hoppe quickly jumped out to a five-car advantage and cruised to the checkered flag, followed by Gille, Wilberg, Troy Hintzsche

Andrew Morrissey was the class of the field in the super late model feature. It didn't look like it would be much of a race early on, as Steve Rubeck quickly raced to the front and built a ten car-length advantage on the field. However, with each lap Morrissey slowly cut into Rubeck's lead, and Rubeck only held off Morrissey until lap 20, when Morrissey used the outside groove and passed Rubeck for the lead. At the stripe Morrissey was followed by Rubeck, Ryan Mathews, Brian Johnson, Jr., and Jacob Humphrey.

Luke Padfield patiently waited for the right time to go for the lead, and on the final lap he cashed in for the Area Sportsman victory. The field stayed tightly bunched throughout the race, but on the final lap Padfield making his move and used a dramatic pass coming out of turn 4 to pick up the victory.

Dann Barber picked up his second Midwest Truck Series feature win of the season. Gary Cerny grabbed the top spot early from the front row and held the lead until lap 6, when Wilkinson passed him and check out on the field. But the caution flag came out on lap 10 when Scott Bleecker made hard contact with backstretch wall. Barber later passed Wilkinson for the lead and held on for the victory, followed by Wilkinson, Cerny, Garrett Goth and Bryan Pautsch.

This coming week will see a doubleheader of action at MIS. On Friday night, June 17, the Midwest AllStar Racing Series comes to town for the first of two visits in 2005. Highlighting the evening will be a 100-lap feature for the MARS super late models. Also in action that night will be the Midwest Truck Series and Area Sportsman.

On Saturday night, June 18, the American Stock Car League will make its first-ever visit to the Badger State. The Mid-Am Super Truck Series will also be on the racing card.

ASA LATE MODELS

Feature: Hoppe, Gille, Wilberg, Hintzsche, Sauter, Haseleu, Hanson, Saunders, Bavery, Riddle

RESULTS

Fast Qualifier: Wilberg, 18.378 secs (97.943 mph).

Heat Winners: Baumeister, Hammer, Gentile SUPER LATE MODELS

Feature: Morrissey, Rubeck, Mathews, Johnson, Humphrey, Wilberg

Yesteryears Racer Reunion III at LaCrosse Enjoys Large Turnout

ONALASKA, WI, June 11 -With "Blue Knight" Tom Reffner and "Black Knight" John Boegeman as featured guests, a large gathering attended the Yesteryears Racer Reunion III at the LaCrosse Fairgrounds Speedway in West Salem on Saturday.

Reffner and Boegeman part SuperAmerica Race Team that campaigned in the Midwest during the 1970s and '80s. The two, along with SA's racing marketing manager at the time Don Engelbrecht, fielded questions from the audience during an afternoon questionand-answer session, signed autographs and distributed several race team promotional materials that were used during their racing days with the company.

The show also featured many other drivers that raced in the 1950s, '60s and '70s, includeing Marv Marzofka, Ev Fox, Jim Back, John Brevick, Arlo Ziemann, Jere O'Day, Cecil Henderson, Marv

(Pam Wegner photo) Sam Bartus (second from right). Fenske, Russ Mueller, Chuck Smith, Larry Baumel, Ralph Bakewell and Ed Nichols, Former track promoters on hand included Ernie Anderson, John McKarns and Don Denny, who built and promoted the North LaCrosse Speedbowl. The surprise appearance of the day was by track builder and promoter Sam Bartus, who built and operated the Sam's Super Speedway in Mosinee, the Griffith Park Speedway in Wisconsin Rapids, the Golden Sands Speedway in Plover, and the Capital Super Speedway in

Some of the more notable race cars on hand included two 1934 Ford coupes driven in the 1950s and '60s by Cecil Henderson, the Charlie Chapel '34 five-window Ford coupe raced in this area, Paul Tradup's Minnesota championship-winning '38 Chevy coupe, the Ray Slaback-driven '57 Chevrolet, Rick Duellman's '56 Chevy, Mike Wall's '37 Ford, and Gary Stein's '65 Chevrolet Impala. The cars took part of the night's race program in an on-track exhibition race event.

This year's Yesteryears Racer Reunion was supported by Deppe Enterprises and Coulee Sign. Yesteryears Racer Reunion IV is slated to take place next June at the LaCrosse Fairgrounds Speedway.

Tunks, Storm, Kinder, Ziegler Fast Qualifier: Wilberg, 17.842 secs (100.886 mph). Heat Winners: Miller, Morrissey. **MIDWEST TRUCK SERIES**

Feature: Barber, Wilkinson, Cerny, Goth, Pautsch, Bleecker, Cottam,

Fast Qualifier: Barber, 19.434 secs (92.611 mph). Heat: Cerny.

AREA SPORTSMAN

The Yesteryears Racer Reunion III at the LaCrosse Fairgrounds Speedway in West

Salem on June 11 brought together the former SuperAmerica race team-from the

1970s and '80s. Don Engelbrecht (left), former marketing manager for the

SuperAmerica convenience store chain; Tom Reffner (second from left), the "Blue

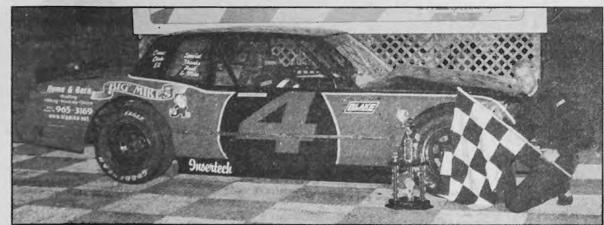
Knight" of the SA race team; and John Boegeman (right), the "Black Knight" of the

SA race team are joined by well-known Wisconsin race track builder and promoter

Feature: Padfield, English, Lawver, Hensel, Courtney, DePorter, Burns, Burns, Bingham, Rucks.

Fast Qualifier: Padfield, 20.954 secs (85.902 mph)

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Luke Padfield won the Area Sportsman feature Friday night at Madison International Speedway. (Doug Hornickel photo)

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The USMTS Modifieds will be in Antigo on Tuesday, June 21 Along with the Modifieds,

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Modifieds will run the IMCA American Racer but they can be grooved and siped. All non-feature qualifiers will get \$60 tow money. Driver Registration is \$65 for licensed drivers and \$75 for non-licensed drivers with pre-registration. \$90 the day of the race. Pit Passes will be \$25. Drivers can pre-register on the USMTS website. Rules, license applications, entry forms, payoff scale, and entry fees are also available from the USMTS website. Please visit www.usmts.com for all information.

IMCA Stock Cars Will Also Compete

Non-Sanctioned (Strictly IMCA Rules - no claim.) No additional registration fee for the stock cars, just the pit pass cost.

Langlade County Speedway

ocated on the north side of Antigo, just off of Hwy 45 at the Langlade County Fairgrounds. For more information contact the track at (715) 623-3584 or visit the track website at www langladespeedway.com.

Marshfield Features to Eswein, Laessig, Dickman

MARSHFIELD, WI, June 12 --Marshfield Super Speedway officials moved Saturday's rained-out race program to Sunday night.

In the super late model feature, Tim Hintz and Darek Gress fought early for the lead before Gress prevailed. With 24 laps to go Eugene Gregorich used a three-wide outside move to take the lead, and on the next lap Gress's car came down with mechanical trouble and he was forced to pit. Mark Eswein battled with Gregorich, trying both the low and high grooves, until with seven laps to go he moved inside on Gregorich to steal the lead. Gregorich fought off Chris Weinkauf to hold second, while points leader Ben Pettis raced in the top five throughout the race and finished fourth, ahead of John Frazier.

The excitement in the super stock feature was mainly in the race for second, as with 11 laps to go Cale Laessig, who started tenth, took the lead and kept it until the finish. After the second caution, Travis Zvolena and Andy Simonis battled for second, but with seven laps to go Simonis won the battle and kept the spot under the checkered flag. After spinning in lap 4 and restarting at the rear, Randy Emmerich made a tremendous recovery to finish third, while Zvolena ended up fourth, and Brian Weinfurter finished fifth.

Fifteen riders lined up in three rows for the ten-lap motorcycle final, and Mark Zeidler blasted by Brad Seavers on the high line to secure the top spot. On lap 4 Steve Kasten fought his way into second place, but Mark Zeidler stretched out his lead, gapping the rest of the pack for an impressive victory. His brother T.J. Zeidler rounded out the victory podium.

By lap 2, mechanical difficulties reduced the cruiser feature to a four-car race. Tim Dickman took the lead with 13 laps to go and kept it for the rest of the race. Points leader Cody Meyer spun and was hit by another car, causing radiator damage. Dave Knauf came to the front to finish second, followed by John Kundinger, Ron Kundinger and Pat

In a special sponsors' race, Dave Zimmerman won the first heat and Mark Benez won the second. The feature was won by Mark Brost.

LUXEMBURG, WI --

Several of Wisconsin's top

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to battle with some of the

nation's top fenderless pilots

when the United States

Modified Touring Series

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competed during the inaugu-

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Mark Eswien (71) takes the inside groove to get past #75 Chris Weinkauf (75) on his way to the super late model feature win Sunday at Marshfield Super Speedway.



Cale Laessig (01) works his way through the pack early on his way to Sunday's super stock feature win at Marshfield.

(D's Racing Imagery photos)

Saturday, June 18, is Kids' Night at the Marshfield Super Speedway, with stock rides and all kids ages ten and under admitted free. Pits open at 3:30 pm, the stands open at 5, qualifying is at 6 and racing starts at 7:30 pm. Four-cylinders will join the super late models, super stocks and cruisers in action. Marshfield Super Speedway is located 3.5 miles west of Marshfield on County Road H.

Voting in the Race Fan Contest is still open, where each fan can vote for the driver they came to watch race. The driver that earns the most votes will get two free pit passes, and for every 20 votes a drivers gets he will receive a two-for-one grandstand ticket coupon to give to his

RESULTS SUPER LATE MODELS

McEwan followed in second

and third, while local late

model ace Pete Parker of

Kaukauna raced to fourth

ahead of five-time Luxemburg

track champion Brian Mullen

"There are a handful of

(USMTS) regulars who do

nothing but race for a living,"

said track manager Rick

Goral. "Last season we were

the only show (running that

night) up in northeastern

Wisconsin ... This year, with

other area tracks running, we

should be assured of a much

Other national stars expect-

bigger number of travelers."

of Seymour.

Qualifying: Chris Weinkauf, 18.078 secs. Heat 1: Elliott Weiler, Eugene Gregorich, Jr.,

Local Mods to Challenge USMTS Tourers in 'Burg

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national modified champion

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track champion Scott Mullen

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Todd Dart, Suamico's Sean

Jerovetz, DePere's Mike

Mashl, hometown driver Benji

LaCrosse, Fremont's Mike

Wedelstadt and Oconto Falls'

Members of the local con-

Josh Bell.

Heat 2: Ben Pettis, Weinkauf, Mark Eswein Feature: Eswein, Gregorich, Weinkauf, Pettis, John Frazier, Bell, Rick Grunden, Tim Hintz, Jay Vandergeest, John Totzke, Jr. SUPER STOCKS

Qualifying: Cale Laessig, 20.312 secs. Heat 1: Brian Weinfurter, Randy Meyer, Rick Hetzel.

Heat 2: Andy Simonis, Randy Emmerich, Laessig.

Feature: Laessig, Simonis. Emmerich, Travis Zvolena, Weinfurter, Wes Coons, Matt Raykowski, Rob Curran, Matt Pyburn, Meyer ONE-MAN CRUISERS

Qualifying: Cody Meyer, 23.655 secs. Heat: Meyer, Tim Dickman, Pat Dickman.

Feature: T. Dickman, David Knauf, John Kundinger, Ron Kundinger, P. Dickman, Toney Bookhart, Meyer. MOTORCYCLES

Feature: Mark Zeidler, Steve Kasten, T.J. Zeidler, Brad Seavers, Cliff Eckes, Jr., Troy Johnson, Randy Ruffi, Lee Johnson, Woody Eckes, Jake Seavers

Mike Sandholm.

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mation call (920) 863-8446;

the track phone is (920) 845-

resume on Friday, July 1.

Passing points will be used

Marshfield Apologizes for Weinfurter Call

MARSHFIELD, WI, June 8 -- Officials of Marshfield Super Speedway have extended an apology to Jeff Weinfurter, his race team, the Weinfurter family, his race fans and his sponsors for a call made during the Saturday, June 4, super late

The call made during the race was in showing Weinfurter the "pick a lane" flag, which after reviewing the race on video tape was proven to be the wrong call on the part of Speedway officials. Officials state that Weinfurter should not have been penalized and have reversed the decision, awarding a tie for the victory to Weinfurter and Chris Weinkauf.

A photo published in CFRN of Weinfurter and Weinkauf that described the two as battling for the lead was also in error, as the photo was taken while the race was under caution.

Effective immediately, the "pick a lane" flag will no longer be used at Marshfield Super Speedway, as its use has been deemed as too much of a judgment decision. Drivers will be allowed to run their races without interference by Speedway officials.

Reffner Leads ASL Points Going into MIS Saturday

BAILEYS HARBOR, WI -- Bryan Reffner of Stevens Point leads the American StockCar League point standings as the series heads into its next race on Saturday night, June 18, at Madison International Speedway in Oregon.

Reffner holds a 258-232 points lead over Jarit Johnson of El Cajon, CA. Johnson, brother of NASCAR Nextel Cup Series star Jimmie Johnson, is also the leader in the race for Pat Schauer Memorial rookie-of-the-year honors.

Ryan Mathews of Lake Geneva is third (228 points), while Trevor Stewart of St. Augusta, MN, is fourth (223) and Andrew Morrissey of DeForest is fifth (218). Rounding out the top ten are Jonathan Davenport of Blairsville, GA (189), Paul Paine of Mound, MN (188), Landon Cassill of Fairfax, IA (167), Trey Allen of McGreger, TX (164) and Stephan Leicht of Ashville, NC

Several drivers are expected to make their first 2005 series starts at MIS Saturday, including Hal Collins of Fort Worth, TX; Matthias Czabok of Ashland, OH; Rich Loch of Muskego, WI; Ronnie Hawley of Winona, MN; and Kenny West of Cleveland,

Qualifying on the half-mile paved oval begins at 5 pm, followed by an autograph session at 6 and racing at 7 pm. The doubleheader program will also include the Mid-Am Super Truck Series in a 30-lap feature.

Madison International Speedway is located just off of Highway 138 between Stoughton and Oregon on Sunrise Road.

LM Shootout Added to August WIR Special

KAUKAUNA, WI -- The B & B Race Engines Late Model Shootout has been added to the Tuesday night, August 2, racing program on the D-shaped half-mile paved oval at Wisconsin International Raceway.

The Shootout will run 44 laps and the winner will receive a trophy honoring the late Wally Jors, who ran the number 44 at WIR when the Fox River Racing Club first began running weekly Thursday night events here. An annual Wally Jors Classic was held each year at Hales Corners Speedway from Jors' death in 1975 until the track closed last year.

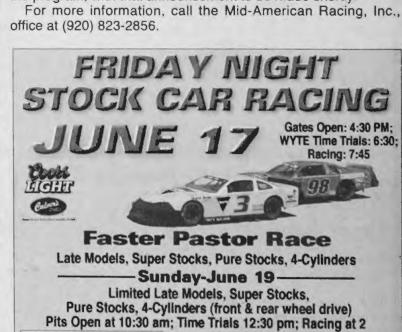
The top ten drivers in the 2005 Midwest AllStar Series point standings will be invited to compete in the event, along with former MARS, FRRC and Red, White & Blue State Championship Series champions. Several American StockCar League drivers may compete also, as The American StockCar League 150 will be the featured event on August 2 at WIR.

The 44-lap race will be part of a program presenting five racing divisions on the Kaukauna half-mile in one night, including a "Royal Rumble" 30-lap feature which will pit the top eight Mid-American Stock Car Series competitors in points against the top eight Mid-Am Super Truck Series drivers.

Spectator gates will open at 4 pm, with preliminary races to begin at 7:15. One additional division is expected to be added to the program, with that announcement to be made shortly



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Check Edges Weinkauf for Golden Sands Super Late Victory

by Jeffrey Sachse

PLOVER, WI, June 10 -- In a duel reminiscent of a old western shoot-out, cagey veteran Allen Check and young Chris Weinkauf ran wheel to wheel during the closing laps of Friday's super late model main event at Golden Sands Speedway, gunning for the checkered flag, and when the smoke cleared Check stood in victory lane with his second feature win of the young season in a cautionfree contest. The entire show was completed by 10 pm - a mere 15 minutes before heavy storms swept through the area.

The 40-lapper started with Burton Brown ahead during the opening lap before Check, who ran the high line for the majority of the race, nosed ahead. Weinkauf and Mark Eswein advanced to third and fourth as Check repelled Brown's challenges, and then Weinkauf and Eswein both scurried past Brown for second and third by the halfway

As the race neared its conclusion, Weinkauf looked inside on Check, and with five laps to go he pulled alongside the leader, but Check held on to take the win by less than a carlength. Eswein reeled in the lead pair over the final laps but settled for third, while fourth went to Jeff Weinfurter, who got by Troy Nelson in the closing laps.

Wes Coon took the opening lead of the super stock main event, but on the next lap Coon slid up the track to give the top spot to Matt Raykowski. Then Randy Storlie, in his first start of 2005, sailed by for the lead by lap 3. A



Allen Check (20) managed to keep a hard-charging Chris Weinkauf (75) at bay to capture the 40-lap late model headliner Friday evening at Golden Sands Speedway. It was Check's second feature win of the 2005 season. (Jeffrey Sachse photo)

Brad Scholze spin on lap 6 brought out the only caution of the contest, and on the restart Chris Brooks charged outside and dispatched of Brian Weinfurter for second. On the next lap Brooks pulled alongside Storlie and motored ahead of Storlie at the stripe on lap 8. From there Brooks maintained a dozen car-length lead on Storlie to the checkered flag, with Roger Stanczyk, Weinfurter and fast qualifier Galen Manternatch completing the top five

The pure stock feature lead was tossed around among several drivers during the first couple laps before Frank Calabrese took command on lap 4. After a spin by Christopher Rindefleisch, Brad Guralski shot outside and moved into second but followed Calabrese to the finish. Division points leader Mike Gwidt took third, followed by Troy Engman and Todd

Three cruiser features were captured by the team cars of Dean and Dean, Kawlewski and Clark, and Kampert and Kampert.

Golden Sands Speedway will next present a double-header race weekend. On Friday night, June 17, regular weekly racing will take place with super late models, super stocks, pure stocks and four-cylinders taking to the raceway. In addition, there will be a "fast pastors" race between area chaplains in equally-prepared race cars. The Friday night program begins with time trials at 6:30 pm and the first

Then, on Sunday afternoon, June 19, the first appearance of limited late models will lead the program, along with super stocks and pure stocks in a full points-awarding show. Time trials will take place at 12:30 pm, and racing will

Golden Sands Speedway is located between Wisconsin Rapids and Plover on Highway 54. For additional information, please call (715)

RESULTS

SUPER LATE MODELS

Feature: Allen Check; Chris Weinkauf; Mark Eswein: Jeff Weinfurter; Troy Nelson; Burton Brown; Frank Nitzke; Brandon Selle; Keith Bohmsach; Joe Krzykowski. Semi-Feature: Jason Weinkauf; Elliott Weiler; Dillion

Heat 1: Joel Schulz; Brady Baldry; Scott Beyer.

Heat 2: Brown; Check; Blake Horstman. Heat 3: Pat Williams; Nitzke; Bohmsach.

Fast Qualifier: Eswein, 12.084 secs. SUPER STOCKS

Feature: Chris Brooks; Randy Storlie; Roger Stanczyk; Brian Weinfurter; Galen Manternatch; Tim Plowman; Tyler Sauter; Mike Brooks; Wes Coon; Dave

Semi-Feature: Brad Scholze; Scott Hamel; Ken

Heat 1: Scholze; Duane Robinson; Matt Osowski

Heat 2: Soyka; C. Brooks; Dan Braun. Heat 3: Weinfurter; Collin Wilcott; Sauter.

Fast Qualifier: Manternatch, 13.425 secs. **PURE STOCKS**

Feature: Frank Calabrese; Brad Guralski; Michael Gwidt; Troy Engman; Todd Kuehl; Dean Zakrezwski

Heat 1: Chuck Stebbens; Kuehl; Willy Higgins. Heat 2: Andrew Hintz; Gwidt; Calabrese.

Fast Qualifier: Guralski, 15.216 secs.

TWO-MAN CRUISERS

Feature 1: Dean & Dean: Fischer & Floistad: Wellens & Bauer; Zellner & Bates; Kelley & Resheske.

Feature 2: Kalewski & Clark; Netzel & Jisko; Kampert & Kluck; Boyer & Poinek; Kealiher & Johnson.

Feature 3: Kampert & Kampert; Clark & Disher; Wierzba & Wierzba; Kuhn & Van Stedum; Floistad &

Retallicks Top Triple 60s Round 2 at '151'

by Jim Remsik

COLUMBUS, WI, June 10 -- The father-son team of Bill and Rob Retallick led the late model field to the checkered flag in the second round of the Triple 60s at Columbus 151 Speedway on Friday night.

The Retallicks raced door to door until lap 3, when father Bill gained the advantage. Rob slid back as far as fourth before a caution fell on lap 6 for a spinning John Wasserburger, who collected two others. By the race's mid-point Bill Retallick separated himself from second-place Clayton Braaksma, and after the caution flag flew again on lap 38 for contact between Mike Taylor and Aaron Wilke, and again when Tyler James spun on lap 40, Rob Retallick retook second on lap 42 before the final caution fell for a spinning Jim Syvrud. From there Rob challenged his father on the outside but could not be able to take away the lead. At the finish the Retallicks were followed by Braaksma, Ron Bishofberger and Don Gaserude.

Rikki Bishofberger checked out early on the street stock feature field and built a straightaway lead by lap 12. Don Trush charged from deep in field to fourth before the caution fell for Brandon Riedner's spin, and on the restart Trush quickly dispatched Jim Rohrbeck and Dustin Ward to challenge Bishofberger for the lead. Caution slowed the race again on lap 20 as Dan Schmidt spun, and Trush took the lead for good soon after the restart. As the field took the white flag Bishofberger spun, and Trush picked up the win followed by Ward, Rohrbeck, a hard-charging Kevin Anderson and Dennis Schwark.

In hobby stock feature action, Kevin Zielski suffered a flat tire in the first turn and was run over by Mike Amador. On the complete restart Tony Chase grabbed the early lead, but in lapped traffic Jim Robinson used Coletta Gomes's car to box in Chase and take the lead. On the next lap Chase got loose and collected Alan Dorn, and in the ensuing melee Lincoln Keeser and Mike Storkson tangled and spun. As Robinson led the field to the green, Keeser and Storkson made contact again, with Keeser's tire separating from its rim. Robinson was challenged

Rains Force Grundy to Cancel

MORRIS, IL, June 10 -- With a heavy thunderstorm hitting the Fairgrounds before the track opened, the racing program was cancelled Friday at the Grundy County Speedway.

The regular program featuring late models, the Mid-American division, street stocks and mini-stocks will resume on Friday, June 17, with time trials at 6:45 and the first race scheduled to get underway at 8 pm. The Grundy County Speedway is located just north of I-80, on Route 47, in Morris.

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Late Models

by Jim Tate, Jr., down the stretch but held on for the win, followed by Tate, Brian Hebl, Andy Raley and Larry Moen.

Nick Nolden grabbed the early lead of the Bandit feature before the caution fell on lap 7 for Ben Lewis' parked car. In the battle for second Tom Bleeker found his way around Ryan Oetzel, but Brian Johnson took the position on lap 12 just as Nolden reached lapped traffic. Nolden's lead then shrunk dramatically, but he held on to win as Johnson ran out of time. Bleeker, Ryan Hart and Ryan DeStefano completed the top

Rick Verdon started from the pole in the back-up car feature and took it to victory. Dave Moore gave chase but spun at the finish line, creating a parking lot under the flagstand. Following Verdon in the final rundown was George Wachuta, Moore, Oetzel and Scott Hart.

On Friday, June 17, the Columbus 151 Speedway will host round one of the "Summer Rumble," in which drivers will race at "151" and Jefferson Speedway on back-to-back nights.

RESULTS

Qualifying: Steve Dobratz, Rio, 13.497 secs.

Slow Heat: Tim Woollen, Sun Prairie; Tyler James, Oconomowoc; Nick Wendt, Watertown.

Fast Heat: Dennis Schmidt, Juneau; Bill Retalick, Marshall; Mike Taylor, Semi-Feature: Woollen; N. Wendt; James.

Feature: B. Retalick; Rob Retallick, Deerfield; Clayton Braaksma, Beaver Dam; Ron Bishofberger, Fort Atkinson; Don Gaserude, Fort Atkinson; Dean Schultz, Juneau; Jason Thoma, Jefferson; Andy Wendt, Watertown; Schmidt. STREET STOCKS Qualifying: Kevin Anderson, Cottage Grove, 14.183 secs.

Heat 1: Brandon Riedner, Waunakee; Dale Weatherwax, Cambria; Donald

Heat 2: Dustin Ward, Beaver Dam; Dan Schmidt, Watertown; Larry Moen,

Feature: Trush; Ward; Jim Rohrbeck, Portage; Anderson; Dennis Schwark, Sun Prairie; Moen; Boddi Bisholderger, Fort Atkinson; Weatherwax; Riedner; Ken Morris.

HOBBY STOCKS Qualifying: Mike Storkson, Evansville, 15.387 secs.

Heat 1: Jim Robinson, Orfordville; Jim Tate, Jr., Watertown; Travis Schneeberg, Cottage Grove.

Heat 2: Nick Newton, Jefferson; Gary Haarklau, Madison; Brian Hebl. Mount Horeb.

Feature: Robinson; Tate; Hebl; Andy Raley, Fall River; Larry Moen, Madison; Haarklau; Mike Amador, Mazomanie; Newton; Alan Dorn, Waterloo; Coletta Gomes, Sun Prairie. BANDITS

Qualifying: Ryan Destefano, Colgate, 16.912 secs.

Slow Heat: Brittany Boyce, Marshall; Ben Reuter, Columbus; Jay Bergin,

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Father Bill Retalick (9) and son Rob Retalick (1) battle for the lead in round two of the late model Triple 60s at Columbus 151 Speeedway on Friday.



Jim Robinson (33) won his hobby stock heat Friday, then went on to beat Jim Tate, Jr., for the feature win at **'151'**. (D's Racing Imagery photos)

Fast Heat: Nicholas Nolden, Lodi; Ryan Oetzel, Brodhead; Kyle Watters.

Semi-Feature: Boyce; Reuter; Bergin.

Feature: Nolden: Bryan Johnson. Stoughton: Tom Bleaker, Watertown Ryan Hart, Edgerton; Destefano; Oetzel; Rodney Mundt; Watters; Rory Padfield, Stoughton; Linda Carignan, Poynette. **BACK-UP DIVISION**

Feature: Rick Verdon, Fitchburg; George Wachuta, Brooklyn; David Moore, McFarland; Ryan Oetzel, Brodhead; Scott Hart, Madison; Wayne Hook, Oregon; Jim Remsik, Deforest.

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Schraufnagel Outruns Reinwald in Powercom Park Modified Win

BEAVER DAM, WI, June 11 -- In action at The Raceway at Powercom Park on Saturday night, row 6 seemed to be the place to start, as the drivers who started there finished first and second in the 20-lap modified A-main.

Russ Reinwald charged through the pack quicker, but Jay Schraufnagel of Beaver Dam took the checkered flag first. Joe McGrath grabbed the lead at the start, but Reinwald sliced through the traffic with ease and, on lap 4, powered his way into the lead. Schraufnagel soon followed into second and challenged Reinwald, and actually slipped by Reinwald to move out in front, only to have the caution flag wave for McGrath's crash into the front straight wall. Reinwald moved back out in front for the restart, but on lap 12 Schraufnagel again got by to take over the lead. Three more cautions slowed the action, and in the final five-lap dash to the finish Schraufnagel stayed out in front to pick up his third win of the season here. Larry Zirbel ran strong to finish third, Andy Voigt moved up from the fifth row to take fourth, and Brian Crapser drove to fifth.

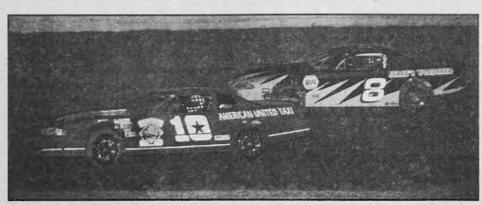
Don Sorce, Jr., raced from a fourth-row start to take the lead from Dave Gorny on lap 5 of the 20-lap Grand Nationals A-main, then stayed in front of Roger Lee as long as he could before Lee found room on the inside on lap 17 to get by Sorce and race to his second win of the season. Gorny followed in third, and Steve Seitz drove to fourth ahead of Tommy Moore.

Jerry Winkler led from start to finish to capture the 20-lap stocks Amain. Brent Lepple ran near the front throughout the race to finish second, and Nate Schepp moved up to cross the line third ahead of Ken Feavel and Don Vander Galien.

Joel Wyttenbach picked up his



Russ Reinwald (25) and Jay Schraufnagel (10) swapped the lead several times before Schraufnagel finally made this pass stick and went on to win the modified feature at R@PP Saturday.



Roger Lee (10) passes Kevin Rank (8) en route to winning the Grand National feature at R@PP June 11. (Bob Cruse photos)

second win of the season in the 20lap Legend A-main. Darwin Banes, who led early in the event, ran strong to finish second, while Warren Ropp drove to third ahead of Kevin Brill and Joe Johnson.

Eddie Lemay III took the lead from Kevin Schutz on lap 5 and drove to his first win in the 20-lap Dirt Devils A-main. Tim Draheim charged from back in the pack to finish a strong second and took over the lead in the points standings, while Aaron Stolp ran near the front and was third at the checkered flag. Scott Baake followed in fourth, and Cody Allard

claimed fifth. Mike Mueller walked away from a wild ride after his car rolled several times early in the event.

RESULTS **MODIFIEDS**

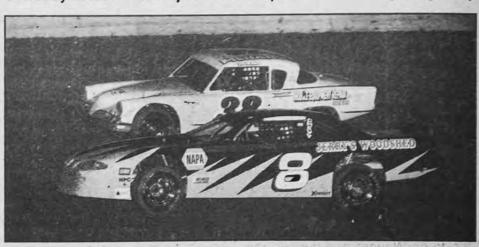
A-Main: Jay Schraufnagel, Russ Reinwald, Larry Zirbel, Andy Voigt, Brian Crapser, Dannon Tessmer, Eddie Lemay, Jr., Joey Jaeger, Mike Meeker, Frank Firari.

B-Main: Firari. Heat Winners: Crapser, Zirbel, Reinwald, Schraufnagel **GRAND NATIONALS**

A-Main: Roger Lee, Don Sorce, Jr., Dave Gorny, Steve Seitz, Tommy Moore, Josh Borden, Kevin Rank, Troy Weich, Russ Davison, Paul Paulson.



Brad McGuire flipped on the back straight in the modified B-main (Rich photo) Saturday at R@PP. No injuries were reported.



The old versus the new was exhibited when Brian Gerber (38) debuted his 1953 Studebaker Commander in the Grand National division Saturday at R@PP. Gerber and Kevin Rank (8) (with a modern Monte Carlo) race for position during the feature.

(Bob Cruse photo)

Heat Winners: Lee, Nathan Persha. STOCKS

A-Main: Jerry Winkler, Brent Lepple, Nate Schepp, Ken Feavel, Don Vander Galien, Tim Reichenberger, Dan Troyan, Mike Murray, Matt Bedker, Eric Grunst.

Heat Winners: Winkler, Lepple. WISCONSIN LEGENDS DIRT RACING SERIES

A-Main: Joel Wyttenbach, Darwin Banes, Warren Ropp, Kevin Brill, Joe Johnson, Greg Hartlaub, Phil Van Tatenhove, Joe Surprise,

Bethany Wyttenbach, Steve Boetter. Heat Winners: Surprise, Ropp.

DIRT DEVILS A-Main: Eddie Lemay III, Tim Draheim, Aaron Stolp, Scott Baake, Cody Allard, Jon Schultz, Nick Firari, Tim Sheppard, Ron Koenig, Corey Stanton.

Heat Winners: Kevin Schutz, Mike Mueller, Roger Frank.

Photo Finishes Highlight Action at 'Zone

by Dave Buss

OSHKOSH, WI, June 7 --Despite stormclouds on the horizon, the racing action was fast and furious at the Powercom SpeedZone on Tuesday night, as .the Legends made their second trip here. Two of the main events were decided by less than a car-length, two exhibited dominating performances and one ended under caution.

Jon Schultz made it look easy as he won for the third time in the Dirt Devil division. Using the high side of the track, Schultz moved out front early and then disappeared, grabbing the win with Bryan Monday, Ron Koenig, Dustin Schwandt and Patrick Klawitter in his wake.

The other driver to put on a dominating performance was Greg Hartlaub in the Legends feature, but his performance was spoiled by a late caution. Hartlaub took the lead from the start and fended off a couple of different challenges, but the late caution and ensuing restart gave Eric Barth the opportunity to grab the lead and run on to the win, ahead of Hartlaub, Joel Wyttenbach,



Ron Koenig (8), Jon Schultz (11) and Nick Boldt battle for the lead during Tuesday's Dirt Devil feature at the Powercom SpeedZone in Oshkosh. Schultz would go on to win the feature event.

Aaron Rake and Adam Reed.

Jeremie Hendrick was the benefactor of some late cautions in the modified feature and picked up his first win of · the year here. Hendrick led from the start but faced challenges from John Schultz and Russ Reinwald early, then Jay Schraufnagel moved up quickly to threaten. But two lengthy cautions forced the event to finish under the yellow, with Hendrick grabbing the win over Schraufnagel, Reinwald, Brian Mullen and

Benjamin Brinkman.

The stock feature started with F.W. Formiller out front for the entire race - until the white-flag lap. That's when Jerry Kope worked the high side and beat Formiller out of turn 4 to win by a bumper. Jerry Winkler, Gary Neau and Tim Reichenberger followed at the line.

The Grand National feature mimiced the street stock run, as Terry Van Roy took the lead early and was not challenged until the white-flag lap

when Dan Wirl took to the high side through turns 3 and 4. This time, however, Van Roy did not fall victim and grabbed the win by less than a car-length. Wirl picked up five spots in the last six laps to take second, while Larry Richards, Bob Cullen and Steve Seitz completed the top

RESULTS

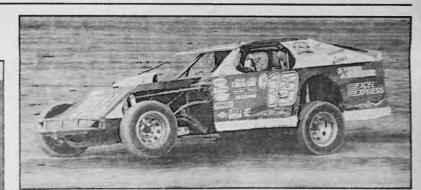
STREET STOCKS Heat Winners: Mark Schultz. Gary Neau, Jerry Winkler

B-Main: Scott Beckman. A-Main: Jerry Kope, Frank Formiller, Winkler, Neau, Tim Reichenberger, Jeff Jahnke, Ken Feavel, Jasper Drengler, Mike Rauchel, Don VanderGalien MODIFIEDS

Heat Winners: Brian Mullen, Jay Schraufnagel, Brandon Czarapata. Jeremie Hendrick, John Schultz. B-Main Winners: Scott Mullen.

Tim Van de Hei

A-Main: Hendrick, Schraufnagel



Jeremie Hedrick won the modified feature Tuesday night at the 'Zone in Oshkosh.



Terry Van Roy held off Dan Wirl at the checkers to win Tuesday's Grand National feature.



Jerry Kope got to the checkers just ahead of Frank Formiller to win the street stock feature. (Jeff Blaser photos)

Russ Reinwald, Brian Mullen, Ben Frelich

Brinkman, Eric Scribner, S. Mullen, Joe McGrath, John Schultz, Shawn

GRAND NATIONALS

Heat Winners: Larry Richards,

Tim Doehling. A-Main: Terry Van Roy, Dan Wirl, Larry Richards, Bob Cullen, Steve Seitz, Josh Borden, Russ Davison. Steve Baker, James Gilbertson, Thomas Robbins

DIRT DEVILS Heat: Bryan Monday.

A-Main: Jon Schultz, Monday, Ron Koenig, Dustin Schwandt, Patrick Klawitter, Mike Mueller, Dave Wilkins, Nick Boldt, Jeremy Robbins. Ron Paulick, Jr.

INEX LEGENDS Heat Winners: Adam Reed.

Aaron Rake A-Main: Eric Barth, Greg Hartlaub, Joel Wyttenbach, Rake. Reed, Joe Johnson, James Black, Kevin Brill, Tom Hendricks, Bethany Wyttenbach.



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Berger Returns to Rockford Action, Captures LM Checkered

by Kevin Ramsell

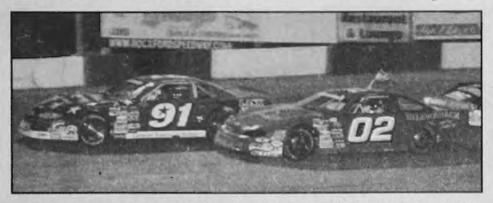
LOVES PARK, IL, June 11 -- A great crowd was on hand to witness the trailer "race of destruction" and other racing action on Saturday night at Rockford Speedway.

Matt Berger missed a few weeks of racing due to a blown motor, but returned to go to victory lane in late model action. Bob Kahler took the early lead, and Berger followed Kahler to second. On lap 4, Berger got inside on Kahler to battle for the lead before the first caution came out on lap 8, when Steve DeMarb's car broke and he made a hard contact with the wall. DeMarb walked away, and on the restart, Berger took over the top spot while Ricky Bilderback worked past Kahler for second.

On lap 16 Bilderback looked inside on Berger for the top spot, but Berger hold off the defending champion through the final caution on lap 26 for Dave Foltz's spin and all the way to the checkered flag. Jon Reynolds, Jr., Bobby Wilberg and Ryan Carlson rounded out the top

George Sparkman captured his third feature win of the season in the American Short Tracker 25-lap feature. Dave Wagner captured the early lead with Sparkman in second, but on lap 6 Sparkman worked inside on Wagner and the two ran side-by-side for three laps until Sparkman finally got past Wagner for the lead. Wagner then battled Scott Dolliver and Nick Cina, Jr., for second for the remainder of the race as Sparkman took the win. Cina won the battle for second, with Wagner in third followed by Dolliver. Jason Evans rounded out the top five.

Tom Flippo, Jr., captured his first feature win in the RoadRunner feature. He took the lead from the pole but had to hold off Dave Lignell. With two laps to go Lignell got inside on Flippo, and the two went side-byside until they came off turn 4, when Lignell got loose and Flippo pulled away for the win. Lignell held on for



Matt Berger (91) held off defending champion Ricky Bilderback (02) for his first feature win of the season Saturday night at Rockford.



Dave Wagner (55), Nick Cina, Jr. (10) and Scott Dolliver (17) battle for second place in Saturday's AST feature.

second, while Dan Carlson, Ricky Weimerskirk and Gene Marocco rounded out the top five.

Vern Brown captured the 15-lap FIRA Formula Indy feature, but the best battle in the event was for fourth between Kai McNulty and Jim Bass, who swapped the position back and fourth throughout the race before McNulty finally took the position. Anthony Wallace came home second, and Grant Greenfield was third.

Chris Miller was the sole survivor of the trailer race of destruction." A total of 20 trailers started the event.

On Saturday night, June 18, the Rockford Speedway will feature action in the late models, American Short Trackers and RoadRunners. Then on Sunday, June 19, the Speedway will feature a Father's Day special starting at 3 pm that will include a taco-eating contest, tricycle races and sack races for the dads,

with the winners of each event competing in a final competition for a chance to win a new riding mower. The afternoon will also include fun events for everyone during the afternoon, followed at 6:06 pm by an appearance by the Hoosier Outlaw Sprint Series, paved-track modifieds and Hornets. To order advance tickets or for more information, please call the track office at (815) 633-1500.

RESULTS NASCAR AMERICAN SHORT TRACKERS A-Main: George Sparkman, Loves Park;

Nick Cina, Jr., Loves Park; Dave Wagner, Roscoe; Scott Dolliver, Roscoe; Jason Evans, Loves Park; David Eggert, Loves Park; Tim Steger, Rockford; Steve Cavin, South Beloit; Donald Russell, Loves Park; Aaron Rude, Cambridge, WI.

Heat 1: Eggert; Frank Bridges, Loves Park; Wagner.

Heat 2: Dolliver; Cina; Sparkman. NASCAR LATE MODELS

A-Main: Matt Berger, Loves Park; Ricky



Pat Smith (01) and David Long (24) battle for position in the RoadRunner feature at Rockford Speedway on Saturday.



The carnage from the "World Famous Trailer Race of Destruction" litters the race track at Rockford. (Marty Langenberg photos)

Bilderback, Rockton; Jon Reynolds, Jr., Roscoe; Bob Wilberg, Orfordville, WI; Ryan Carlson, Loves Park; Jerry Gille, Roscoe; Mike Beyer, Machesney Park; Brett McCoy, Belvidere; Bob Kahler, Belvidere; Bill Hobson, Roscoe.

Heat 1: Kahler; Steve DeMarb, Loves Park; Chad Misslich, Rockford.

Heat 2: Berger; Bilderback; Reynolds. NASCAR ROAD RUNNERS

A-Main: Tom Flippo, Jr., Byron; David Lignell, Rockford; Dan Carlson, Rockford; Ricky Weimerskirk, Rockford; Gene Marocco, Machesney Park; David Long, Rockford; Pat Smith, Loves Park; Ricky Nielsen, Rockford; Chad Lounsbury, Beloit, WI; Steve Hillary, Machesney Park.

Heat 1: Flippo; Robert Stoltz, Rockford; Steven Clark, Rockford.

Heat 2: Joey Thomas, Rockford; Derek Nichol, Roscoe; David Long, Rockford. Heat 3: Dan Sander, Rockton; Smith;

Dash: Carlson; Nielsen; Jonathan Stoltz, Rockford.

Challenge: Lignell; Long; Smith. FIRA MINI-INDYS

A-Main: Vernon Brown, Waunakee, WI; Anthony Wallace, W. Chicago; Grant Greenfield, Waupun, WI; Kai McNulty, Sturtevant, WI; Jim Bass, Madison, WI; John Zielinga, West Chicago; Keith Howard. Franklin Park; Doug Ferral.

Heat 1: McNulty; Greenfield; Howard. Heat 2: Wallace; Bass; Brown

USMTS Coming to Langlade County Speedway

ANTIGO, WI, June 7 -- The Langlade County Speedway will host the United State Modified Touring Series on Tuesday, June 21. The event is the first leg of the Series' weeklong trip throughout Wisconsin that includes stops at Thunderhill Raceway in Sturgeon Bay on Wednesday the 22nd, Luxemburg Speedway on Thursday the 23rd and Fox Ridge Speedway in Arcadia on Friday the 24th.

The touring mods will run IMCA American Racer tires, which can be grooved and siped. All modified non-feature qualifiers will receive \$60 tow money. Drivers can pre-register on the USMTS website, <www.usmts.com>. Rules, license applications, entry forms, payoff scale and entry fees are also available there.

Along with the mods, IMCA stock cars will also be on hand. Their show will not be sanctioned, although all IMCA rules will be strictly enforced, except for the claim rules. There will be no additional registration fee for the stock cars.

Hot laps will begin at 7 pm with racing to follow. The grandstands will open at approximately 5:30. There will be food and beverages sold on the grounds, and free rough camping is available.

Weekly racing continues on Friday, June 24, beginning at 7:15 pm. Langlade County Speedway is located on the north side of Antigo, just off of Highway 45 at the Langlade County Fairgrounds. For more information, please contact the track at (715) 623-3584.

Rain Washes Away Shawano Program

by Bert Lehman

SHAWANO, WI, June 11 -- A late-afternoon downpour forced the Shawano Speedway to cancel its weekly racing program due to wet grounds.

Racing will resume on Saturday, June 18, with WISSOTA late models, IMCA modifieds and stock cars, and limited late models taking part starting at 6:30 pm. A "Tri-Track Pursuit" race for the late models will also be part of the program.

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Wednesday Night Action Opens at Rockford

by Kevin Ramsell

LOVES PARK, IL, June 8 -- Rockford Speedway's "Full Throttle Wednesday" action kicked off for the summer on June 8, and Matt Lundberg ran away from the rest of the field in the Grand National fea-

Lundberg started on the pole for the 25-lap event, and although Doug Bennett grabbed the lead at the start Lundberg didn't let Bennett get away and took over the top spot on the next lap. The first caution flew on lap 3 for a Dan Fox spin and again on lap 14 when Fred Nason and Doug Bennett made contact and Nason hit the turn 1 wall. Nason was okay, and on the restart Lundberg cruised to the checkered flag. Chad Leahy came home second ahead of Dave Behnke, Travis Eldridge and Brock

Seventeen-year-old Derek Nichol took home his first-ever feature win in RoadRunner action. Joey Thomas led early, while Nichol started sixth and patiently worked his way to the front. After the only caution, on lap 6 for a multi-car wreck, Thomas continued to lead until he pulled off with eight laps to go, handing the lead to Nichol. With seven laps to go Chad Lounsbury got to the inside on Nichol, and the two hooked front bumpers. When they broke loose Lounsbury spun to the infield, and Nichol went on to win over Steve Hillary, Wanda Dobbs, Dan Carlson and Ricky Weimerskirk.

Sherri Dillavou shook off her bad luck in Winged Women on Wheels action tonight. Dillavou led the first WWOW feature event until she developed problems and dropped out, allowing Shonna Frisch to take over the lead and win the event. But with the full field inverted for the start of the second event, Dillavou started outside on the front row, grabbed the lead at the start and never looked back to win.

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Matt Lundberg (78) led the field of Grand Nationals en route to his feature win as Wednesday night racing action opened at Rockford Speedway. (Marty Langenberg photo)

Vachenia Jester finished second in both features to take the overall division win, with Amy Flippo second and Dillavou

Chris Gantz took home his second feature win in a wild figure-8 event. Gantz survived a great battle with Derek Dobbs in a race slowed by two cautions.

RESULTS NASCAR GRAND NATIONALS

A-Main: Matt Lundberg, Rockford; Chad Leahy. South Beloit; Dave Behnke, Poplar Grove; Travis Eldridge, South Beloit; Brock Behnke, Poplar Grove; Darrell Garman, Machesney Park; Brandon Eash, Rockford; Doug Bennett, Brodhead, WI; Fred Nason, Roscoe; Dan Fox, Rockford.

Heat 1: Fox; Bennett, Lundberg. Heat 2: Leahy; B. Behnke; D. Behnke. NATIONAL FIGURE-8 LEAGUE A-Main: Chris Gantz, Rockford; Jerry Mesch,

Rockford; Derek Dobbs, Rockton; Pat Smith, Loves Park; Daugherty, Rockford; JOBY Thomas, Rockford; Mayberry, Jack

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ROADRUNNERS A-Main: Derek Nichol, Roscoe, Steve

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Park; Wanda Dobbs, Rockton; Dan Carlson, Rockford; Ricky Weimerskirk, Rockford; Pat Smith, Loves Park; Terrance Robinson, South Beloit; David Lignell, Rockford; Gene Marocco, Machesney Park; Chad Smith, Poplar Grove.

Heat 1: Tom Flippo, Jr., Byron; Robert Stoltz. Rockford, Keith Froning, Rockford Heat 2: Joey Thomas, Rockford; Hillary; Nichol.

Heat 3: Robinson; Dan Sander, Rockton; Chad Lounsbury, Beloit, WI.

Dash: Dobbs; P. Smith; Weimerskirk. Challenge: Thomas; P. Smith; Jerry Mesch, **Rockford**

WINGED WOMEN ON WHEELS

Overall: Vachenzia Jester, Beloit, WI; Amy Flippo, Rockford; Sherri Dillavou, Rockford; Alicia Magee, Machesney Park; Latasha Hillary, Machesney Park; Jennifer Erickson, Rockford; Shonna Frisch, Beloit, WI; Candace Schultz,

Roscoe; Linnea Weerda, Rockford. Heat 1: Frisch; Jester; Flippo. Heat 2: Dillavou; Jester; Magee.

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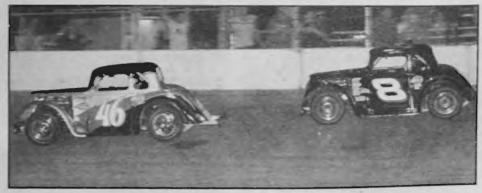
Four in a Row for Wallace at 'Geneva

Despite bad weather to the south, Friday night's race program at Lake Geneva Raceway went on as usual, with over 100 race cars in the pit

Josh Wallace of Pell Lake won his fourth straight 25-lap millennium late model feature, which was marred by numerous caution periods and took nearly an hour to run. Joe Rusciano started the race out front before Jeff Steenbergen and Carrie Dygon got together. The next caution came two laps later for a Paul Edmundson spin, and Rob Maule spun for the next caution with one more lap in. Then Carrie Dygon's car developed a fluid leak, which caused a another long delay, and after two more laps of racing came another slowdown. Sonny Schoffen headed to the pits with problems just a Jeff Graf spin, and then fast timer Ralph Gentile got under Brian Ulrich's mount and the caution came out again. Finally, for the final 14 laps Wallace ran away from the field and easily won the event, ahead of Keith Tolf, Ulrich,

Rusciano and Paul Dygon.

Seventeen-year-old Ernie Schaal of Wauconda, IL, won his first 15-lap legends car feature of the season. The race was only a half-lap old when Don Schaal squeezed Michael Bilderback into the wall, collecting four others. In the melee Tom Palma's car went over Schaal's and flew high into the air before nose-diving into the pavement. Palma had the wind knocked out of himself but was otherwise uninjured. The restart brought Kyle LaPier to the front of the field, with Bilderback briefly in second, but Bilderback's bent spindle from the impact with the wall caused his mount to mishandle, and Schaal took the spot. After some side-by-side racing it took Schaal until lap 7 to grab the lead, but LaPier retook the point on lap 8. Points leader Eric Lokemoen then took a turn at the front with the white flag out, but Schaal crept just ahead and pulled in front at the wire for the thrilling win. LaPier right behind the leaders in third, followed byb quick qualifier Curt Gnatzig and Bilder-



Friday's Legends feature at Lake Geneva Raceway was a great battle between Ernie Schaal (46) and Eric Lokemoen (8). Schaal prevailed for the win.



Glen Vernezze (18) held off a strong charge from Mike Van Houten (24) for the victory in the mini-modified main at LGR on Friday night.

Veteran mini-modified driver Glen Vernezze missed a clean sweep by taking fourth in the heat, but took fast time and won the 15-lap feature. Guest driver Duck Wack pulled out front early in Ken Johnson's car, but a slight bobble by the leader gave Vernezze the room he needed to move out front for good. Mike Van Houten came in second, with Wack just ahead of Chris Thomazin and Bill Trusky for third.

Points leader Michael Cooter of Loves Park, IL, won his second 15lap bandolero feature. Cooter raced right to the front with Kyle Palma on his rear bumper. On lap 4 Collin Laursen broke a tie rod and spun for the first of two cautions, and on the restart fast quailifier Branden Allen slipped into second. But Steve Erickson got wide in turns 3 and 4, causing a restart, and Cooter regained the lead as the green reappeared and came home the winner, just in front of Allen, Palma, rookie Vince Heywood and Kyle Justis.

Bob Koch of McHenry, IL, took first place in the Basic International car 20-lap feature. Kevin Hill moved in front of Leo Bujak before firstnighter Dan Giannotti gained second. Within two laps there was a three-way battle for the lead, and with five laps to go Koch gained the lead and came home with the win, ahead of Giannotti, Steve Doherty, Brit Bromann and fast timer Lenny

Andy Krueger of Lake Geneva won his second straight 15-lap weapons feature despite finishing second to Randy Schneider. And Vincent Merry of Wadsworth, IL, got back into his championship-winning race truck and just missed a clean sweep, taking fast time and a second in the heat before winning the 15-lap feature.

Next Friday night time trials will begin at 6 pm and racing at 7:30.

Big Storm Stops LGR Show

LAKE GENEVA, WI, June 11 -- Saturday started out gorgeous, but at 4 pm a storm front flew over Lake Geneva Raceway and dumped over twothirds of an inch of rain in less that one half-hour, and with more storms expected throughout the evening LGR promoter Kevin Dawson cancelled the scheduled race program.

On Saturday night, June 18, the speedway will present Mid-American Racing series events along with action in the super late models and super stocks. There will be no increase in spectator admission. Time trials begin at 5:45 pm, with racing at 7 pm. From 9 am-3 pm there will be a motorsports show at the Lynch dealership on Highway 36 north in Burlington, with all types of race cars on display.



Kyle Palma (17) leads eventual winner Michael Cooter (0) during (Mark Melchiori photos) Friday's Bandolero feature at 'Geneva.

There will be six divisions in action. RESULTS

INEX BANDOLEROS

A-Main: Michael Cooter, Loves Park, IL; Branden Allen, Yorkville, IL; Kyle Palma, Delavan; Vince Heywood, Antioch, IL; Kyle Jusits, Kenosha, Hope Bidlack, Genoa City; Steve Erickson, Roscoe, IL; Collin Laursen,

Heat: Palma; Laursen; Allen. Time Trials: Aller

BASIC INT'L CARS

A-Main: Bob Koch, McHenry, IL; Dan Giannotti, Bristol; Steve Doherty, Woodstock, IL; Brit Bromann, Grayslake, IL: Lenny Adams, Crystal Lake, IL; Jack Rabey, Lake Villa, IL; Kevin Hill, McHenry, IL; Jason Spittle, Trevor; Pete Koenig, Richmond, IL; Matt Booker, Wonder Lake, IL

B-Main: Robert Palka, Pell Lake; Kevin Lynn, Genoa City; Rob Schiebel, Ingleside,

Heat 1: Evan Townsend, Elkhorn; Sam Schaal, Genoa City; Lynn.

Heat 2: Roger Schultz, Machesney Park,

IL; Nick Kasten, Lake Geneva; Palka Heat 3: Koch; Rabey; Leo Bujak, Spring Grove, IL.

Time Trials: Adams.

Trophy Dash: Doherty; Giannotti; Adams. INEX LEGENDS

A-Main: Ernie Schaal, Wauconda, IL; Eric Lokemoen, Merrill; Kyle LaPier, Belvidere, IL; Curt Gnatzig, Hartford; Michael Bilderback, South Beloit, IL; Joe Scala, Fox River Grove, IL; Don Schaal, Wauconda, IL; Chris Helgerson, Burlington; Vince

Heywood, Antioch, IL; Dave Cooter, Sr., Loves Park, IL

Heat: Bilderback: LaPier; Helgerson. Time Trials: Gnatzig.

Trophy Dash: Lokemoen; E. Schaal; Tom Palma, Delavan

MILLENIUM LATE MODELS

A-Main: Josh Wallace, Pell Lake; Keith Tolf, Union Grove; Brian Ulrich, Racine; Joe Rusciano, Crystal Lake, IL; Paul Dygon, Wind Lake, Jeff Steenbergen, Waupun, Ken Johnson, Park Ridge, IL; Rob Maule, Burlington; Jeff Graf, Milwaukee; Sonny Schoffen, Crystal Lake, IL

Heat: Steenbergen; Tolf; Rusciano. Time Trials: Ralph Gentile, Racine. Trophy Dash: Wallace; Ulrich; Schoffen. MINI-MODIFIEDS

A-Main: Glen Vernezze, Salem; Mike Van Houten, Cary, IL; Jerry Giuliano, Park Ridge, IL; Chris Thomazin, Elkhorn; Bill Trusky, Silver Lake; Curt Thomazin, Elkhorn; Barry Trusky, Waukegan, IL; John DeMay, Lake Villa, IL; Scott McCarthy, Antioch, IL.

Heat: Curt Thomazin; Chris Thomazin; Van Houten.

Time Trials: Vernezze.

WEAPONS

A-Main: Andy Krueger, Lake Geneva; Reid Kahrs, Jr., West Allis; Mark Tomasi, West Allis; Sammie Morezze, Chicago, IL; Jeff Schultz, Salem; Randy Schneider,

Heat: Kahrs; Schultz; Morezze.

Klumb Ends 13-Year Draught with EWSC Mod Feature Win

MANITOWOC, WI, June 11 - Dennis Klumb of Grafton found his way back into victory lane at the Manitowoc Expo Speedway on Saturday night after 13 years away, with a win in the

EWSC modified main event. The mod main saw a tangled mess during the opening laps which brought out the red flag; five cars were involved, with two rolling over, but there were no injuries. Prior to the restart. Dave Deicher's car was towed off the track with mechanical problems. When racing resumed, Brad Swendrowski led the pack, followed by Lee Mohs and Klumb. Tony Wondra, who was involved in the earlier melee and had continued racing without a wing, stalled after the restart and brought out the caution. Klumb then restarted out in front with seven laps in, although Swendrowski battled with him for the lead until lap 26, when Swendrowski fell back just as Tim McMullen spun into the stalled car of Billy Schmitz. In the final laps Klumb held off Chuck Tuschl, another victim of the early accident who had battled back to finish second. Chad Kistner, Butch Hafemann and Kris Hansen completed the top five.

Points leader Gary Laack left the track with transmission problems during the first heat race, causing his points lead over McMullen to dwindle to just 20 points.

In limited late model action, Plymouth's Scott



Tony Wondra catches some air after being involved in an early-race incident in EWSC winged modified feature action at the Manitowoc Expo Speedway on Saturday night. (Jamie Hansen photo) Wondra continued in the race without a roof wing.

Haugstad took home the feature checkers after building a commanding lead. Dan Dippel, the division's points leader and night's fast qualifier, settled for second place after working his way through the field, while Keith Borth took third after holding off Tim Thompson and Paul

Super stock feature winner Brian Gilles of Plymouth also set the division's fast time on the night. Gillis also found three newborn kittens in his race car after his second-place in his heat race! The feature was a nailbiter, as Gilles passed 11 cars to get the win and had to go head to head with Mike Bastian, who finished second, and third-place finisher Chad Ninmer. Brad Ruh and John Dirks took home fourth- and fifth-place honors.

Alex Rathsack of Kiel won both of the evening's Eastern Eights events. After taking the heat race trophy, Rathsack passed five cars for the feature win. Second place in both events went to Gary VandenHouten, while Jay VanAsten was third ahead of Michael Robinson and Joshua Schroeder

Amber Rabe's Mighty Fours car was driven by super stock winner Gillis to the four-cylinder class feature win, beating out Mark Kuhfuss, Sandra Meyer, heat winner Vicky Milbrath and Nic Schuette.

On Saturday night racing resumes at Manitowoc Expo Speedway, with qualifying at 6 pm and racing at 7 on the third-mile clay oval. The program will include the rescheduled "Welcome to Summer Nights" with special giveaways for fans who bring items to donate to the local food pantry.

FRRC Triple Crown Event Washed Out

by Jeffrey Sachse KAUKAUNA, WI, June 9 - The opening round of the Fox River Racing Club's Triple Crown on Thursday night came to an unexpected end during preliminary events, as a heavy thunderstorm forced a postponement of the program at Wisconsin International Raceway.

The entire show, which will be highlighted by extended features, will be held on Thursday, June 16, in addition to the

regularly scheduled program. Before the rains came, Jeff Van Oudenhoven notched his first quick time effort of the season in the late model division, while in the limited late models current points leader Tom Spierowski nabbed his third straight quick qualifying effort. Second-year competitor Kyle Quella earned Wisconsin sport truck fast time honors, while Alien Trudell turned in the fastest lap in the street stock division.

Heat races on the quarter-mile oval were captured by Jeff Vanhandel and Chris Lowenhagen in the sport trucks, and Larry Raygo and Dylan Wenzel in the street stocks. The rains began early in the first limited late model heat and the event was stopped.

Wisconsin International Raceway is located near the intersection of Highways 55 and KK just south of Kaukauna. For additional information, call (920) 766-5577 or (920) 766-5575.

RESULTS LATE MODELS

Feature rained out. Semi-Feature rained out. Heats: rained out.

Fast Qualifier, Jeff Van Oudenhoven, Kimberly, 19.687 secs

LIMITED LATE MODELS

Feature: rained out Semi-Feature: rained out. Heats: rained ou

Fast Qualifier: Tom Spierowski, Neenah,

WISCONSIN SPORT TRUCKS Feature: rained out.

Semi-Feature: rained out. Heat 1: Jeff Vanhandel, Freedom; Jason Plutz, Appleton; Tyler Lind, Grand Chute.

Heat 2: Chris Lowenhagen, Appleton, Todd Schuette, Greenville, Pete Zamoth, Brillion Fast Qualifier: Kyle Quella, Appleton, 16.525

STREET STOCKS

Feature: rained out. Heat 1: Larry Raygo, Omro; Jim Arnouldussen.

Neenah, Mark Ritger, Elkhart Lake. Heat 2: Dylan Wenzel, Fremont, Randy Van Roy, Kaukauna; George Schwalbach, Neenah.

Fast Qualifier Allen Trudell, Kaukauna, 16.162 SIZZLIN' FOURS Feature rained out FIGURE-8 Feature: rained out

MARS, Mid-Am Truck Races at I-94 Rescheduled

SAUK CENTRE, MN -- The Midwest AllStar 100 late model race which was rained out June 4 at the I-94 Raceway in Sauk Centre has been moved to Saturday night, July 2, while the Mid-Am Super Truck Series race also rained out on June 4 has been rescheduled for Sunday night, July 3.

Two-time and defending MARS champion Jeff Van Oudenhoven of Kimberly, WI, is expected to compete, as are 2004 runner-up Blake Bjorklund of Isanti and current MARS points leader Steve Carlson of West Salem, WI.

Super truck drivers expected for the July 3 race include Donnie Woller of Merrill, WI; Andy Jirik of Lonsdale; and Austin Siebert of Lake Lotawana, MO

Qualifying on July 2 is planned for 6 pm, with racing at 7 on the 3/8th-mile paved oval. Racing on July 3 will begin at 7 pm. Several local divisions will also compete in a full evening of racing action. Free camping is offered at the track.

A 150-lap American StockCar League race will also be held on Sunday, July 3, at the track. For additional information, contact the Raceway at (612) 327-5831 or the Series office at (920) 823-2856

Erickson Wins Late Model 50-Lapper at Jefferson Speedway

by Larry & Jeanne Starr

JEFFERSON, WI, June 11 -- Jason Erickson of Lake Mills claimed top honors in the 50-lap late model feature Saturday night at Jefferson Speedway, leading the final 23 laps.

Noel Ramge claimed the early lead but surrendered the point to Tony Koepke on lap 2. The caution flag flew on lap 6 for a spin, and Erickson, who was running eighth on the restart, moved up to sixth by lap 12 before a pair of cars tangled to bring out the second caution. Erickson made his way to second before the next caution on lap 23, and on the restart he moved inside on Koepke. Koepke held on for four laps before Erickson inching ahead on lap 27. Erickson's drive to the checkers was interrupted by three more cautions, but at the stripe he led by a quarter-lap over Koepke, Ken Olson, Chris Quam and Doug Hahn.

Mark English claimed top honors in the 15-lap International feature. Brandon Kozak claimed the early lead while English motored into second by lap 3. Following a three-lap battle English claimed the point and guiding the field to the checkered flag, followed by Mark Joyner, Chris Nelson, Kozak and Scotty Hoeft.

Trent Erdman drove from an 18thplace start to claim top honors in the 30-lap Sportsman main event. Larry Moen showed the way for the first 21 laps, while Erdman wound his way to third by lap 17. On lap 20, secondplace Kyle Taylor's car went up in smoke and dropped oil on the track, bringing out the yellow flag, and after the restart Erdman closed with Moen and made the winning pass on lap 22. On lap 23 Moen spun and tagged the wall, and Erdman guided the field from the restart to the checkers, holding off Jason Thoma, Luke Padfield, Curt Thompson and Scott Riedner.

In hobby stock action Ken Au notched the 20-lap feature win. Ryan



Lake Mills' Jason Erickson (94) won the late model feature Saturday night at Jefferson Speedway.



Trent Erdman of Fort Atkinson (11) passes Trent Gergen on his way to winning the sportsman feature Saturday at Jefferson Speedway.

Oldenhoff pulled to the early lead, and Au made his way to third by lap 8 as Oldenhoff battled side-by-side with Dennis Schmidt. The battle was interrupted when a car slammed the wall on lap 9, and on the restart Au motored past Schmidt into second. After a four-lap battle Au made the winning pass on lap 14 and took the win, followed by Eaan Carson, Oldenhoff, Dennis Schmidt and Jim Tate, Jr.

John Remsik claimed top honors in the 18-lap Bandit feature. Kyle Riedner jumped to the early lead, but Remsik made his way to second by lap 5. Riedner led to the white flag, when Remsik moved to the inside and beat him to the stripe. Troy Yohn, Kyle Riedner, Brandon Riedner and Tom Bleecker completed the top five.

Jefferson Speedway will host the final round of the two-track "Summer Rumble," featuring a 50-lap late model feature, on Saturday night. Round one of the Rumble is at Columbus 151 Speedway on Friday night. Gates open at 2 pm on Saturday, with qualifying at 4:30 and racing at 7 pm. Jefferson Speedway is halfway between Cambridge and Jefferson on Highway 18.

LATE MODELS

Feature: Jason Erickson, Lake Mills; Tony Koepke, Fort Atkinson; Ken Olson, Ft. Atkinson; Chris Quam, Stoughton; Doug Hahn, Whitewater; Luke Westenberg, Waterlown; Dennis Schmidt, Juneau; Dylan Schuyler; Tim Noble, Janesville; Bret Schmidt, Waterlown.

Fast Qualifier: Erickson, 14.262 secs. Last Chance: B. Schmidt; Matt Frey; Luke Westenberg.

Dash: Roger Behlke.



Jefferson driver Ken Au (31) maneuvers through traffic en route to winning the hobby stock headline event at Jeffertson Speedway Saturday.



John Remsik (98) of Watertown, in victory lane after winning the bandit class feature at Jefferson Speedway Saturday.

Heat Winners: Quam; Tim Petrie. INTERNATIONAL DIVISION

Feature: Mark English; Mark Joyner, Palmyra; Chris Nelson, Cottage Grove; Brandon Kozak, Whitewater; Scotty Hoeft, Watertown; Chris Chenoweth, Watertown.

Fast Qualifier: Nelson, 16.715 secs. Dash: English.

Heat: Joyner.
SPORTSMAN DIVISION

Feature: Trent Erdman, Fort Atkinson; Jason Thoma; Luke Padfield, Jefferson; Curt Thompson, Fort Atkinson; Scott Riedner, Waunakee; Brent Gergen, Jefferson.

Fast Qualifier: Erdman, 15.167 secs.
Dash: Thompson.
Heat Winners: Larry Moen; Kyle Taylor.

HOBBY STOCKS

Feature: Ken Au, Jefferson; Eaan Carson; Ryan Oldenhoff; Dennis Schmidt, Johnson

Creek; Jim Tate, Jr., Watertown; Jesse Ayers, Stoughton.

(Jefferson Speedway/H&H photos)

Fast Qualifier: Carson, 16.707 secs.
Last Chance: William Stephenson; Jim Schmidt; Lincoln Keeser.

Heat Winners: Oldenhoff; D. Schmidt.

BANDITS

Feature: John Remsik; Troy Yohn, Waterloo; Kyle Riedner, Waunakee; Brandon Riedner, Waunakee; Tom Bleecker, Watertown; Brian Paulson, Edgerton. Fast Qualifier: Paulson, 15.028 secs.

Consolation: Zak Czeszynski; Roy Pfiefer, Jr.

Last Chance: Kyle Stark; Ron Nelson; Chris Hart.

Dash: Bobby Selsing, Jr. Heat Winners: K. Riedner; Marc Balis.

Morrissey Tops Slinger 75-Lapper

by Dan Margetta

SLINGER, WI, June 12 -- Andrew Morrissey capped off a successful weekend by winning the 75-lap late model feature Sunday night at the Slinger Super Speedway.

Morrissey, who had also claimed a feature win earlier in the weekend at another area track, led most of the event and crossed the finish line about eight car-lengths ahead of defending track champton Brad Mueller. "It's nice to have a weekend like this," Morrissey claimed from victory lane. "We had a rough start at the beginning of the season, but it's really starting to come together for us now."

Rich Loch used the inside lane to snag the early lead, and Morrissey also used it to take second. Morrissey dogged Loch through lap 20, before Nick Schumacher bobbled and, in the scramble, caught up Austin Konetski in a spin to bring out the caution flag on lap 25. Morrissey continued to stalk Loch on the restart, and on lap 27 he wedged his nose to Loch's inside and won the drag race to take the lead. John Mueller also took advantage of Morrissey's move to pass Loch for second.

A tangle involving Conrad Morgan and Fred Winn slowed the race for a second time on lap 35, and on the restart Brad Mueller jumped to the outside lane and pulled by Loch for third, bringing David Prunty along to fourth. But Prunty slowed on lap 49 with mechanical problems and retired from the event.

Morrissey steadily pulled away as Brad Mueller took second from John Mueller on lap 50. Morrissey ran the final 25 laps unchallenged and drove to the win over Brad Mueller and John Mueller, while Lowell Bennett finished fourth and Loch took fifth.

James Swan held off a determined Gary LaMonte to take the 25-lap Midwest Sportsman feature win. After the completion of the first lap, contact between polesitter Corey Funk and Jason Taghikhani grid-locked the field in turn 1, resulting in a multi-car pile-up that eliminated three cars. Gary Tisler then paced the field for the first eight laps, but when his car appeared to loosen up in the corners, Swan took to the



Andrew Morrissey (39) works his way past John Mueller (23) Sunday night at Slinger to win his second late model feature of the weekend.

inside to drive by Pat McIntee on lap 6 for second, then used the same move to take the lead on lap 8. An Andy Haver spin in the closing laps tightened the field for the finish, but Swan maintained his lead when racing resumed, while with ten laps to go Gary LaMonte executed a bumpand-run move on McIntee and took second place. In the final laps LaMonte closed the gap on the leader but came up about a carlength short at the checkered flag. McIntee finished third, followed by Brad Keith and Scott Schambeau.

Dale Prunty took top honors in the 25-lap Midwest modified feature, holding off Steve Huelsbeck at the finish. Pole-starter Roger Schmid led the opening laps, but Huelsbeck and Prunty used the outside line to propel themselves by Schmid and Eddie Bentfield on lap 4 to take the top two spots. Huelsbeck had Prunty in his tire tracks, but Prunty remained in the high groove and eventually squeezed by to take command of the event on lap 13, and once out front he was never headed. Ron Schmitt took third, and Wes Biswell won a hard-fought battle with Dave McCardle to finish fourth.

Kris Kelly claimed the trophy in the 35-lap limited late model main event. Mike Held paced the opening two laps before Kelly motored by. Jim Syvrud's mechanical problems on lap 14 brought out the caution flag for fluid on the track, but Kelly maintained the lead as racing resumed. On lap 28 Held slowed and was hit by Bret Schmidt, slowing the race

under the caution flag, but Kelly stretched his lead on the restart and drove to the victory over Kyle Jarlesberg. Chris Ratajczyk used the outside to charge to third place at the finish, over Nick Wendt and Tyler James.

Mark Kissinger won the Thunderstock feature over Chris Beine and Shawn Hoefler, Ryan Zielski and Scott Bundy won the Slinger Bees races, and Rob Mayer won the spectator eliminator event. Dale Klingbeil was the guest car race winner, and Donald Van Camp closed the night with the figure-8 win.

On Sunday night, June 19, the track's Fathers Day special and Scout Night will feature a 75-lap late model race as part of the complete eight-division Sunday program. Limited late models will return to Slinger on July 10, August 7 and September 11. Gates open at 4:45 pm, qualifying is at 5:15, and racing starts at 7 pm. For more information, contact the speedway's public relations department at (262) 370-0440 or the track office at (262) 644-5921.

LATE MODELS

Feature: Andrew Morrissey, DeForest, Brad Mueller, Random Lake, John Mueller, Hubertus, Lowell Bennett, Neenah; Rich Loch, Muskego, Dennis Prunty, Lomira, Austin Konetski, Janesville; Mike Egan, Slinger, Ken Wills, Milwaukee; Race McComb, Jackson.

Semi-Feature: Tom Hromadka, Brookfield; McComb; Dan Jung, Iron Ridge. Fast Dash: Dave Feiler, Sun Prairie. Fast Time: B. Mueller, 11.515 secs.

MIDWEST MODIFIEDS
Feature, Dale Prunty, Allenton, Steve



Dale Prunty (17) passes Steve Huelsbeck (61) on his way to winning Sunday's Midwest modified feature at Slinger.



Tommy Hromadka (3) passes Jerry Eckhardt en route to winning Sunday's late model semi-feature. (Ron Erstad, Jr., photos)

Huelsbeck, Milwaukee; Ron Schmitt, Jackson; David McCardle, Menomonee Falls; Wes Biswell, Sussex. Fast Dash: Huelsbeck.

Fast Time: Jason Feyereisen, Random Lake, 12.272 secs.
MIDWEST SPORTSMAN

Feature: James Swan, Lake Geneva; Gary LaMonte, West Allis; Pat McIntee, West Bend; Brad Keith, West Bend; Scott Schambeau, Milwaukee.

Fast Dash: Swan.
Fast Time: McIntee, 12.643 secs.
LIMITED LATE MODELS

Feature: Kris Kelly, Norway, MI, Kyle Jarlseberg, Cambridge; Chris Ratajczyk, West Bend; Nick Wendt, Watertown; Tyler James, Oconomowoc.

Fast Dash: Wendt.
Fast Time: Dylan Schuyler, Dousman,

Fast Time: Dylan Schuyler, Dousman 12.613 secs. THUNDERSTOCKS

Feature: Mark Kissinger, West Bend; Chris Beine, Slinger; Shawn Hoefler, Slinger; Rick Schaefer, Kewaskum; Bob Gigstead, Kewaskum. SLINGER BEES

Heat 1: Ryan Zielski, Oconomowoc; Travis Buchholz, Hartland; Matt Schatz, West Bend.

Heat 2: Scott Bundy; Steven Paukner, West Bend; Rob Demring, Jackson. OTHER EVENTS

Speedway Guest Cars: Dale Klingbeil. Spectator Eliminator: Rob Mayer. Figure-8: Donald Van Camp, Seymour.

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Burgess Takes Clean Sweep, Third Win in LaCrosse Late Models

by David Morgan

WEST SALEM, WI, June 11 -- Andy Burgess turned up the heat in chasing Kevin Nuttleman for the late model division lead at the LaCrosse Fairgrounds Speedway Saturday night after a clean sweep of action.

Burgess was quickest in qualifying at 97.760 mph, then moved from the back of the field to take the win in a wreck-plagued dash. In the 25-lap feature Burgess moved into the lead on lap 12 to become the first driver in five years to take a clean sweep at LaCrosse. Steve Carlson last turned the trick in the 2000 sea-

Steve Holzhausen quickly moved outside early in the feature and took the lead on the opening lap, but after a lap 3 caution Tony Bagstad set up inside on Holzhausen and ducked under hm for the lead on lap 5. Bagstad led for seven laps while Burgess took second on lap 6, and then Burgess moved by Bagstad on lap 12. Bagstad made one move to retake the lead with six laps remaining but couldn't make the pass, and Burgess came away with his third win in the last four races. Holzhausen got by Bagstad on the final lap to take second, with Nuttleman claiming fourth and Mark Lamoreaux taking fifth.

Dan Gilster took his third win of the season and solidified his spot atop the Sportsman standings. He also became the second driver in three weeks to claim fast time (87.974 mph) and win the feature on the same night. Gilster took the lead on lap 5 and, after a brief rain shower, led from there. Tom Thill took second, followed by Jimmy Gilster, Larry Bolster, Jr.,

Craig Chandler led most of the Thunderstox feature, but on lap 12 Jamie Dummer and Steve Bornitz made a sandwich of him, going three-wide for the lead. Dummer came away the big winner, while Bornitz and Chandler touched, spinning Bornitz around. Bornitz kept the car going to avoid the caution but fell back in the field. Chandler finished second, followed by Wayne Smith, Ron Heller and Adam Moore.

Mike Thompson moved to the front in the first Hornets feature and survived a mid-race caution to pull away from the field for the win, followed by Jason Mork, Jim Schermerhorn, Joe Heaney and John Clements. A four-car pile-up early in the second feature bunched the field, when Bekah Voehl's car was rear-ended and ended up on top of another car. Shane Finnerud moved to the front and held on through a late yellow for the checkered flag, ahead of Larry Burroughs, Kevin Turner, Jeremy Arndt and Pete Muenkel. Derrick Hammer had the third feature well in hand, but on a restart after the second caution Rick Schermerhorn moved by for the lead and ran away with the win. Chris Johnson was second, followed by Hammer, Matt Moore, and Jerry

John Vassh drove his 1971 Dodge Charger to victory in the Stock Car Classics race. Rounding out the top three were Gary Stein in a 1966 Chev Impala, and Jim Riffer in a 1957 Ford Fairlane. The remaining Classics races will be on Friday, August 5, at Madison International Speedway in Oregon, and on Saturday, August 27, at The Milwaukee Mile.

This Saturday's program includes a fan photo and autograph session at 5:15 pm. There will be no qualifying, allowing fans to spend time with their favorite drivers, and divisions in action will include late models. Sportsman and Thunderstox.

RESULTS NASCAR LATE MODELS

Feature: Andy Burgess, Fall Creek; Steve Holzhausen, Bangor, Tony Bagstad, Cashton; Kevin Nuttleman, Bangor, Mark Lamoreaux, Bloomington, MN; Brent Kirchner, LaCrosse; Todd Korish, Holmen; Mike Belling, LaCrosse; Todd Oliver, Bangor; Tim Nelson, La Crescent, MN.

B-Feature: Jim Hagel, Holmen; Nick Schroeder, Cashton; Ken Hutchens, Black River Falls

Qualifying Burgess, 20 085 secs, 97 760 mph. Heat: Kraig Burrows, West Salem, Joe Scholze,

Holmen Chris Skrede Sparta Odd Dash: Burgess: Holzhausen: Charlie Menard, Eau Claire

Even Dash: Oliver; Sam Andersen, Melrose; Bill Niles, Holmen **SPORTSMAN**

Feature: Dan Gilster, West Salem; Tom Thill, West Salem; Jimmy Gilster, West Salem; Larry Bolster, Jr., Sparta; Branden Berg, North Bend; Dan Linnehan, Sparta; Mike Albrecht, Jr., La Crescent, MN; Randy Steinhoff, Cashton, Trent Boettcher, La Crescent, MN Jerimy Wagner, Melrose.

B-Feature: Rob Mason, La Crescent, MN; Jeff Winterfield, Westby, Chad Rosendahl, Hokah, MN. Qualifying: Gilster, 22.319 secs, 87.974 mph.

Non-Qualifying Heat: Dan Erdmann, Holmen; Rob Christen, Holmen; Bill McCabe, LaCrosse

Heat 1: Josh Millis, Black River Falls; Wagner, Mike Carlson, West Salem Heat 2: Boister; Matt Inglett, LaCrosse; Mason.

Odd Dash: Lucas Korish, LaCrosse; Thill; J. Gilster. Even Dash: Steinhoff; Bill Miller, Sparta; Boettcher. **THUNDERSTOX**

Feature: Jamie Dummer, Holmen: Craig Chandler,

Black River Falls, Wayne Smith, LaCrosse; Ron Heller, Coon Valley; Adam Moore, Sparta; Jason Bolster, Sparta; Josh Inglett, LaCrosse; Jake Krueger, Sparta;

Greg Lindvig, Holmen; Jerry Aylsworth, LaCrosse. B-Feature: Lindvig; Justin Berg, Bangor; Mary Schill.

Dash: Aylesworth; Smith; Heller,

Heat 1: Chandler, Aylesworth; Rusty Winchel, Sparta. Heat 2: Steve Bornitz, Holmen; Heller, Dan Erdmann,

Heat 3: Brad Warthan, Sparta; Smith; Al Bartels. Tomah

Heat 4: Dummer: Jeff Stumlin, Mindoro: Chris Vinson, Holmen.

HORNETS

Feature 1: Mike Thompson, Melrose; Jason Mork, Osseo; Jim Schermerhorn, Coon Valley; Joe Heaney, Caledonia, MN; John Clements, Bangor; Andrew Moore, Tomah, Joey Johnson, III, Holmen; Chris Sampson, LaCrosse: Aaron Towner, Trempealeau; Eugene Hager, Feature 2: Shane Finnerud, Altura, MN; Larry

Burroughs, La Crescent, MN; Kevin Turner, LaCrosse; Jeremy Amdt, LaCrosse; Pete Muenkel, Caledonia, MN; Tony Waltemath, Necedah; Lee Hager, Kellogg, MN; Steve Lemke, Hokah, MN; Matt Miller, LaCrosse; Chris Diehlmann, Onalaska. Feature 3: Rick Schermerhorn, LaCrosse; Chris

Johnson, West Salem, Derrick Hammer, Galesville; Matt Moore, Tomah, Jerry Lemke, Rochester, MN; Make Lavigne, Elgin, MN; Mike Carlson, West Salem; Dave Treu. Winona, MN; Nate Towner, Trempealeau; Travis Lee, Holmen

Heat 1: Burroughs; J. Schermerhorn; Mork. Heat 2: Clements, Jerry Schomers, La Crescent, MN; Drew Budde, Brownsville, MN.

Heat 3: Muenkel; Lee; Waltemath Heat 4: Carlson, Kim Strom, West Salem, Towner, CLASSIC CARS

Feature: John Vassh, Racine: Gary Stein, Northfield, MN: Jim Riffer, Franksville.

Record Field, First-Time Winners Mark Seymour Show

SEYMOUR, WI, June 12 -- For the second straight week, a record field of 151 cars filled the lots Sunday night at the Seymour Speedway.

Troy Springborn paced the late model feature for his first win here since August 31, 2003. Polesitter Doug Blashe set a quick pace until the lone caution of the race appeared on lap 8; Springborn the found an opening to the inside on the restart and pulled into the top spot. Blashe stayed close and pulled up on Springborn over the final couple of laps, but Springborn was in control. Randy Markwardt, Gordie Seegert and Terry Anvelink filled out the top five.

Lance Ameson endured to pick up his first-ever Seymour modified feature win. Arneson took the lead from Kyle Meyers during the first lap and had his hands full the rest of the way, were right behind. Four cautions on lap 8 slowed the pace, as Jerry Muenster got a quick jump on the second restart but another caution erased the move, and Arenson maintained his lead to the finish. Myers tried several times to pull off a pass for the lead, but a final caution for Muenster's stalled car bunched the field again, and Brandon Czarapata moved into second and chased the leader to the finish Jared Siefert started well back in the field and finished in third, ahead of Chris Engels and Jeremie Hedrick.

The street stock, stock car and fourcylinder features were not run because of curfew. Race times for the rest of the season will remain at 5 pm every Sunday night.

RESULTS IMCA MODIFIEDS

Feature: Lance Arneson, Oconto; Brandon Czarapata, Kaukauna, Jared Siefert, Green Bay, Chris Engels, Green Bay; Jeremie Hedrick, Lena; Kyle Myers, Oconto Falls

Consolation 1: Paul Parker, Kaukauna; Hedrick: Scott Boyea, Green Bay Consolation 2: Brad Rohloff, Pulaski; Mike Wedelstadt, Fremont; Tom Schaal

Heat 1: Jerry Wilinski, Seymour; Ameson. Heat 2: David Charles, Oneida, Jerry Muenster, Green Bay

Heat 3: Meyers; Ron Figlinski, Shawano. Heat 4: Tim Van De Hei, Green Bay:

Czarapata WISSOTA LATE MODELS

STREET STOCKS

Feature: Troy Springborn, Shawano; Doug Blashe, Marion, Randy Markwardt, Sheboygan, Gordie Seegert, Oostburg; Terry Anvelink. Navarino, A.J. Diemel, Navarino.

Heat 1: Chris Carlson, Greenfield, Seegert. Heat 2: Mark Mitchell, Shawano; Cody Grosskreutz, Clintonville.

Heat 3: Terry Anvelink: Diemel Dash: Ralph Aschenbrenner, Oneida: Tom Naeyaert, Shawano

Feature: postponed.

Consolation 1: Joe Van Ooyen, Appleton, Joe Johnson, Oneida.

Consolation 2: Thom Terrien, Green Bay; Jasper Drengler, Shawano. Heat 1: Shawn Van Ooyen, Appleton; Joe

Wittmann, Appleton Heat 2: Brian Ambrosius, Pulaski; Jamie Van

Ooyen, Appleton. Heat 3: Fred Davister, Luxemburg: Tony

Peebles, New London. Heat 4: Harley Simon, Seymour; Mitch Landvick, Oconto Falls.

IMCA STOCK CARS Feature: postponed.

Consolation: Chaz Van Ooyen, Apoleton, Chris Lange, Appleton, Eric Malfroid, Luxemburg. Heat 1: Jeff Vlies, Kewaunee; Jason

Czarapata, Pulaski. Heat 2: Brandon Czarapata, Kaukauna, Shawn Wagner, Pulaski

Heat 3: Kyle Fredrick, Gillett: Larry Karcz, Jr.,

FOUR-CYLINDERS Feature: postponed.

Heat 1: James Vanden Bogart, Green Bay: Matt Maleport.

Heat 2: Ben Daoust, Seymour: Matt Oreskovich, Clintonville,



Lance Arneson picked up his first career IMCA modified feature Sunday night at the Seymour Speedway.



Harley Simon collected his first checkers of the season, winning his street stock heat race Sunday at Seymour.



David Charles won his first IMCA modified race, taking the checkered in his



Troy Springborn pulled off a lap 8 pass for the lead and held on to win his first Seymour Speedway WISSO-TA late model feature Sunday.

(Panske Ent. photos)

RaceQuip Developing New Safety Technology for Racing Industry

COLUMBUS, OH -- RaceQuip, known as a leading supplier of motorsports safety systems for over 30 years, is currently testing apparel for law enforcement. The results from these tests and application of the technologies developed are expected to provide a new platform for the manufacture of innovative highperformance apparel for the motorsports industry.

"Some of the better-performing safety products in other industrial and commercial applications can provide a platform for revolutionary products for the motorsports industry," said RaceQuip technical director Harry Gumm. "The pursuit of these offerings is very well aligned with other developments at RaceQuip, to develop systems for SWAT teams and corrections and law enforcement uniforms."

"I think it's significant that we can use stab-, ballistic- and fireretardant technologies and materials in motorsports apparel," added RaceQuip owner John Schneider.

RaceQuip is using instrumented mannequin fire-testing systems and evolving open-flame methods to better understand protective apparel and burn injuries. They are also evaluating state-of-the-art materials, such as Kevlar and Nomex, which have revolutionized protective apparel for many industries. .

Marcis to Visit State Park Speedway on 'Welcome Home' Night

WAUSAU, WI -- NASCAR iron man Dave Marcus will return to his racing roots on Thursday, June 23, as part of the second leg of State Park Speedway's "Final Four" farewell season.

The event will mark the first time in more than 20 years that Marcus has been to the Speedway where he began his racing career more than 50 years ago. His last visit included an appearance by fellow racing legend Bobby Allison and was highlighted by a match race between the two stars.

During the June 23 event the five-time NASCAR Cup Series winner will sign autographs from 6-8 pm and meet with fans during the "Welcome Home Dave Marcus" festivities. The evening

will also include bicycle races and giveaways for the youngsters. The Wausau native and NASCAR record holder began racing against his brother Donnie behind their father Tony's wrecking yard on Wausau's northeast side in the 1950s. After competing seven nights a week and twice on Sundays throughout central Wisconsin for over ten years, Marcus headed south in 1968 and qualified for the first of a record 32 consecutive Daytona 500s.

Marcus started an amazing 881 NASCAR events before climbing out of the race car for the last time in 2002 at the age of 61. However, he still remains active in the sport as a primary test driver for the IROC series.

Gates will open at 5 pm on June 23, with time trials at 6:15 and racing at 7:15 pm. State Park Speedway is located 1-1/2 miles west of US 51-I-39 on County Trunk NN in the town of Rib Mountain.

Webster City Deery Series Show Rained Out

WEBSTER CITY, IA, June 8 -- The IMCA Deery Brothers Summer Series late model event scheduled for Wednesday at Hamilton County Speedway was canbcelled, as storms drenched the Webster City area.

A make-up date of Tuesday, June 21, is planned, and IMCA modifieds have been added to the race program. The mod main will pay \$400 to win and a minimum of \$75 to start in the 24-car field. Tow money will also be paid.

The tour is also scheduled to return to the half-mile speedplant for a Thursday, July 28, show.

Arpin Stomps on Deer Creek Mods

SPRING VALLEY, MN, June 6 -- A record-setting racenight crowd of over 4,000 was on hand at the Deer Creek Speedway on Monday night for the 26th Gopher 50 late model charity race, and 30 modifieds were also on the card.

In the mod feature Jay Ihrke took the initial lead ahead of Steve Arpin, while behind them was some great two- and threewide racing. After the completion of lap 1 a nine-car pile-up slowed the field, and after three tries to get the field moving again Arpin began pressuring Ihrke on the high side, with Jason Krohn working the low line in third. With three laps in Arpin pulled under Ihrke to take the lead, and nine laps into the race Krohn took second. Krohn ran the low line and Arpin ran up against the wall to keep his momentum up, and Arpin held on for his first career feature win at the speedway. RESULTS

Feature: Steve Arpin, Jason Krohn, Tim Donlinger, Jay Ihrke, Mike Sorensen, Jed Moore, Bob Timm, Steve Wetzstein, Jesse Frericks, Joey

B-Feature: Moore, Bobby Sorensen, Matt Stark. Heat 1: M. Sorensen, Wetzstein, Doug Hillson. Heat 2: Brian Shaw, Frericks, Donlinger. Heat 3: Bob Timm, Nate Wasmund, Ihrke. Heat 4: Arpin, Albert Wytaske, Krohn.

Reuvers Leads **Midwest Contingent** in NASCAR Weekly Series Points Battles

DAYTONA BEACH, FL, June 7 -- Drivers from Upper Midwestern tracks have made significant inroads into top points positions in the national NASCAR Weekly Racing Series rankings already this season.

A review of each of the four WRS divisions follows:

Division I: Frank Deiny, Jr., of Mechanicsville, VA, has taken over the lead in the NASCAR Weekly Series Division I point standings. Deiny, a native of California now residing on the East Coast, finished eighth in the June 4 late model stock car feature at Motor Mile Speedway in Radford, VA.

Despite the modest result, Deiny took over the points lead based on what happened at South Boston (VA) Speedway that same night, when Benson, NC, driver Drew Herring won the June 4 late model stock car event. As only one driver can represent each track, Herring earned 70 points and took over the top spot from previous South Boston leader Peyton Sellers, but Herring's overall total is second Deiny in the divisional lead by

Deiny also leads the race for the WRS national championship, which includes a \$50,000 bonus in addition to the divisional-winning \$25,000 prize, based on each driver's best 16 finishes of the season.

Perennial Rockford (IL) Speedway frontrunner is the only Midwesterner near the top of the D-I standingsd, in tenth.

Division II: I-80 Speedway at Nebraska Raceway Park was the scene of recent action between the top two drivers in the Division II point standings.

Division leader Chris Spieker of Massena, IA, headed to the Greenwood, NE, track on June 5 and added to his points lead with a 20-place finish. The win went to Ed Kosiski, but Ed's brother Joe Kosiski took second - good enough to move him from fourth to second in the D-II standings.

Jay Noteboom, who races at Park Jefferson Speedway in

Jefferson, SD, currently sits seventh in D-II points.

Division III: Keith Bumgarner of Taylorsville, NC, has retaken the tightly-contested lead in the Weekly Series. Division iii points standings over Kevin Nuttleman of Bangor, WI, after a victory at Hickory (NC) Motor Speedway on June 4. Bumgarner holds a 16-point edge over Nuttleman, who is coming off a thirdplace finish in the late model feature on June 4 at LaCrosse (WI) Fairgrounds Speedway.

Michigan driver Rick Sexton, Jr., of Lawton climbed from fifth to third in Division III, fueled by his super late model feature win at Kalamazoo (MI) Speedway on June 4.

Others in top Division III points positions include eighth-place Sean Gray, a regular at Peoria (IL) Speedway; 14th-place Darren Mish, who runs at Dubuque (IA) Fairgrounds Speedway; Rockford (IL) Speedway racer Travis Eldridge in 15th; and Jeff Stephens, currently 16th out of Crawford County Speedway in

Dennison, IA. Division IV: After setting a torrid pace in the opening weeks of the season, Donny Reuvers of Dundas, MN has risen to the top of the Division IV point standings. Reuvers competes at Elko (MN) Speedway and Raceway Park, in Shakopee, MN, where in 2005 he has a combined five wins, including two in a row at

Elko over the past two weekends. Reuvers leads Ted Christopher by a narrow six-point margin. Christopher, a resident of Plainville, Conn. who competes at Stafford Motor Speedway in Stafford Springs, Conn., has amassed 548 points after recording three wins and eight top-

Other Upper Midwestern drivers among the top 20 in WRS D-IV points include sixth-place Gary Webb, who races at Grant County Speedway in Lancaster, WI; Jeff Aikey who runs at Farley (IA) Speedway, in ninth; and Jamie Farrell, another Elko regular, in 14th.

The NASCAR Dodge Weekly Series divisional and national championship competition concludes September 18.

Rain, Threatening Weather **Stops ABC Races**

by Nick Gima

ASHLAND, WI, June 11 -- ABC Raceway officials waited as long as they dared before cancelling Saturday night's racing program. Saturday marked the third rain-out at Ashland in five scheduled race nights.

Racing resumes on Saturday, June 18, with the track's fourth annual Modified Triple-Header.

anigan Grabs 26th Gopher 50 at the Creek

SPRING VALLEY, MN, June 6 --Darrell Lanigan of Union, KY, became the latest winner in World Of Outlaws Late Model Series action by pocketing the \$10,000-to-win 26th annual Gopher 50 Monday at Deer Creek Speedway.

Starting from the outside pole, Lanigan jumped into the lead at the drop of the green flag and used every inch of the multi-grooved racing surface to maintain his lead throughout the 50-lap distance.

Lanigan opened up a huge lead aboard and only felt pressure from polesitter Steve Francis in lapped traffic, but once Lanigan cleared the traffic he basically rode home unchallenged. By the halfway point Lanigan was, for all intents and purposes, gone, while Francis and 17-year-old Josh Richards battled hard

Rick Eckert's great run to fourth came to a halt on lap 33 when he stopped on the backchute after damage to his rightfront suspension, and the attempt to get the race back underway resulted in a chain-reaction incident in which John Blankenship and Tim McCreadie locked their cars together. Lanigan checked out on the field once the race resumed, while Richards and 12th-starting Jimmy Mars traded third until lap 40, when Mars lost fourth to Billy Moyer. On lap 47 16thstarting Trent Follmer shot into fifth for his best-ever finish in a WoO late model

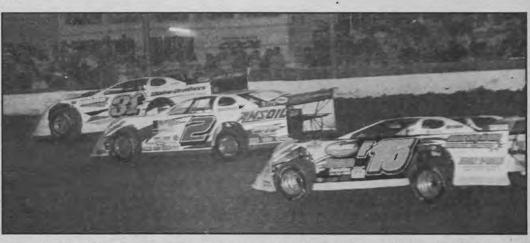
The win was especially sweet for Lanigan after his bitter disappointment in losing Sunday's 50-lapper at Dakota State Fair Speedway after leading the first 48 laps.

RESULTS WORLD OF OUTLAWS LATE MODELS

Feature: Darrell Lanigan, Steve Francis, Josh Richards, Billy Moyer, Trent Follmer, Jimmy Mars,



Darrell Lannigan (29) chases Clint Smith (44) and Steve Francis (15) in the early going of the 26th Gopher 50 at Deer Creek Speedway on Monday, June 6.



Top WISSOTA late model pilots Trent Follmer (31), Brady Smith (2) and Justin Fegers (F15) were formidable opponents for the traveling stars of the World of Outlaws Late Model Series on hand at Deer Creek.

(Neil Miller photos)

Clint Smith, Brian Birkhofer, Chub Frank, Brady

Fast Qualifier: Francis, 15.690 secs, 86.042

mph (NTR). Heat Winners: Francis, C. Smith, Richards,

B-Main Winners: Lance Mathees, Kerry Hansen. Dash: Francis.

Boley Rockets to Farley Late Model Win; Schulte Stays Hot in Mods

FARLEY, IA, June 10 -- Week 4 of weekly racing at Farley Speedway was completed Friday under threatening skies but before 10:15 pm.

Steve Boley rocketed from an eighthplace start to take the lead away from early leaders Layne Meyers and Mark Curwen on lap 6 and drove to an impressive win in the late model feature. A few cautions kept the field bunched, but the

former regional champion easily pulled away on each restart. Current points leader Jeff Aikey finished second, holding off Jeremiah Hurst, Gary Webb and Ace Ihm.

Mark Schulte continues to pick up impressive modified feature wins, and on Friday he started tenth and cruised to his second win this year at Farley and fourth overall this season. Jason Schueller finished second, with Scott Nesteby, Steve Johnson and Shawn Rupp rounding out the

Bob Bolan picks up his first pro stock feature win of the year. Bolan grabbed the lead from Levi Benn about halfway through the feature and took home the victory. Benn settled for second, ahead of Jeff Valentine, Joel Callahan and Justin Mitchell.

The stock car division saw Jason Rauen grab the lead early on and go on to win the feature. Luke Goedert gave chase but settled for second, and Ed McIntrye finished

Jacob Seegmiller used the high line to pass race leader Jeremy English just past halfway in the B-mod feature and drove to the win. English finished second, with Kenny Boyes third.

Limited stock action saw Kelly Welter take the feature win, while Dustin Wilwert took his first feature win in the Farley Flyers by over a straightaway ahead of Jeff Wills and John Flurry.

Racing action continues on Friday night, June 17, with hot laps at 7 pm and racing at

RESULTS LATE MODELS

Feature: Steve Boley, Jeff Aikey. Jeremiah Hurst, Gary Webb, Ace Ihm, Ron Barker, Mark Curwen, Rusty Patterson, Bobby Moyer, Bob

MODIFIEDS

Feature: Mark Schulte, Jason

Schueller, Scott Nesteby, Steve Johnson, Sean Rupp, Kory Burmeister, Leon Wilson, Steve Stewart, Darren Walch, Mike Burbridge. **PRO STOCKS**

Feature: Bob Bollon, Levi Benn, Jeff Valentine, Joel Callahan, Justin Mitchell, Ken Martelle, Jeff Reinert, Steve Hunter, Jake Meier, Larry McCall. STOCK CARS

Feature: Jason Rauen, Luke Goedert, Ed McIntyre, Jarvis Eastlick, Travis Kaiser, John Gobrecht, Jerry Merkes, Kelly Welter, Cory Bauer, Joe Dirks. **B-MODS**

Feature: Jacob Seegmiller, Jeremy English, Kenny Boyes, Shawn Thomas, Damien Miller. Rusty DeShaw, Dustin Lacy, Jaime Rice, Jed Freidburger LIMITED STOCKS

Feature: Kelly Welter, Denny Udelhofen, Jaime

FARLEY FLYERS

Feature: Dustin Wilwert, Jeff Wills, John Flurry, Jenna Barthelmes, Travis Nesteby, Jeff Haas, Chris Donnelly, Charlie Nesteby, Brian Tschiggfrie, Willy Campbell.



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Winless Streaks End With Waelti Win

SUN PRAIRIE, WI, June 12 -- Brandon Waelti scored his first feature victory in nearly three years in capturing the 25-lap Badger Midget Series feature Sunday night at Angell Park Speedway. The win also ended a 29-feature winless streak for Wisconsin drivers in the series.

Chad DeSelle jumped into the lead at the start, but on lap 3 second-running Danny Stratton got sideways, slowing up the field behind him and causing a chain-reaction accident in which Scott Hatton flipped. Hatton was uninjured, while Stratton and Series points leader Davey Ray restarted at the tail of the

Kevin Doty, who started eighth, moved past DeSelle for the lead on lap 6, and two laps later Jason Dull spun. As the caution came out, Doty slowed to miss Dull's car and stalled, and he restarted at the tail of the field, in 18th.

On the restart Nick Lundgreen passed DeSelle for the lead, as Ray moved into sixth, and after the midpoint Waelti closed on Lundgreen several times. Entering turn 1 on lap 19 moved under Lundgreen for the lead, while Doty moved into fourth, and Waelti spent the final three laps in heavy traffic but still finished two car-lengths ahead of Lundgreen, Ray, Doty and Stratton.

Waelti became the first Wisconsin driver to win a feature in the Series since Aaron Fiscus on July 20, 2003. Seven-time Series champion Dan Boorse escaped injury in a series of wild flips in practice. Ray holds a 64-point



Brandon Waelti (3) passes leader Nick Lundgreen (40) late in the race to win his first Badger Midget Series feature in two years at Angell Park Speedway Sunday.



Jason Dull won his Badger Midget Series heat race June 11 at Angell Park. It was his first career victory. (Bob Cruse photos)

lead over Waelti heading into the June 18 event at Wilmot Speedway.

RESULTS **BMARA MIDGETS**

Feature: 1-10: Brandon Waelti; Nick Lundgreen; Davey Ray; Kevin Doty; Brad Kuhn; Danny Stratton; Harley Slotten; Rick Mueller; Aaron Fiscus; Jeff Flesher.

11-20: Bob Schreffler; Rick

LaBrosse; Bryon Walters; John Jones, Rob Keelan, Kurt Mayhew, Chad DeSelle; Jason Dull; Brian Paulus; Scott Hatton.

21: David Gough Semi-Feature: Fiscus. Heat Winners: Dull, Paulus, Mueller, Ray. Dash: Doty

Fast Time: Ray, 14.908 secs.

Feature Wins to Sand, Novak at 141 Speedway

FRANCIS CREEK, WI, June 11 -- Josh Sand and Jason Novak shared the spotlight with 40-lap feature wins Saturday night to highlight action at the 141 Speedway. Both carded their first feature wins of the season.

In the super stocks, Sand used a restart on lap 29 to grab the lead from Kevin Charles. The caution flew early when leader Tim Conard lost the handle coming out of a prior restart, handing the lead to Charles. From that point, Sand powered away over the final 11 laps and, with the win, took over the points lead from Don Wood, who dropped near the feature's mid-point.

Lapped traffic proved to be a factor in the mini-stock headliner, as John Senkbeil took the initial lead while fast qualifier Troy Selner worked quickly up to second on lap 6 with Novak in tow. A caution on lap 14 set Selner up on the outside of Senkbeil, and he parlayed that into a pass for the lead. The leaders found themselves working lappers with ten to go, and on lap 34 Selner was bottled up in traffic, allowing Novak to slip around him. Selner dropped out shortly after that in a cloud of smoke, and while Senkbeil stayed close, Novak led by a car-length at the checkers.

Kraig Koehler, the 2004 Sport Four champ, passed rookie Tyler Bauknecht on lap 16 en route to his first career win in the hobby stocks. Bauknecht held off veteran Peter Kumbalek for a career-best second-place finish.

With the Mid-Am division off for the night, the Wisconsin Sport Trucks paid their first visit of the season to the Speedway, and in their feature Jason Yaeger passed Jeff VanHandel on lap 13, then built a large enough cushion to withstand a late charge from Jeff Looker to garner the win. Peter Zarnoth, who started last in the 17-truck field after missing qualifying, raced through the pack to take third.

The closest finish of the night was recorded in the Sport Four feature, when Kendra Cretton saw a huge lead washed away by a caution but held points leader Hank Horn, Jr., at bay until the final corner. That's when Horn used his momentum on the high line to power around her and take the win by less than a carlength. Aaron Dalton, Gary Novitski and Rick Lorrigan completed the top five.

RESULTS

Fast Time: Troy Selner, Green Bay, 13.436 secs. Heat 1: Rick Lyons, Two Rivers; Allen Dillon, Two Rivers; Sean Farrell, Green Bay.

Denmark; Erik Turner, Mishicot. Heat 3: Jordan Thiel, Appleton, Jason Novak, Cato,

Todd Hebel, Whitelaw. Semi-Feature: Dillon; Kevin Peroutka, Mishicot; Rick

Heat 2: Steve Schneider, Chilton; Kurt Naidl,

Kretschmann, Sheboygan Falls. Feature: Novak; John Senkbeil, Sheboygan; Naidl; Chris Wellner, Two Rivers; Turner; Hebel; Cory Kernkes, Appleton, Mark Truckey, Menasha, Dillon, Schneider.

SUPER STOCKS Fast Time: Josh Sand, Two Rivers, 12.709 secs. Heat 1: Jeff Treml, Greenleaf; Jason Henrickson, Two Rivers; Brian Stanelle, Greenleaf.

Heat 2: Nik Glaser, Kewaunee; Nathan Wegner, Maribel; Todd Welsing, Denmark.

Heat 3: Jo Mueller, Two Rivers; Randy Nething, Manitowoc, Sand.

Semi-Feature: Henrickson; Treml; Mike Meyerhofer,

Feature: Sand; Greg Thompson, Denmark; Jimbo Schleis, Manitowoc; Wegner; Welsing; Treml; Tim Conard, Manitowoc; Crystal Koenig, Mishicot; Paul Rabas, Maribel; Travis Rodewald, Manitowoc. HOBBY STOCKS

Heat 1: Kraig Koehler, Two Rivers; Maxwell Schultz, Reedsville, Brian Rathe, Kewaunee.

Heat 2: Jesse Behnke, Brillion; Peter Kumbalek, Green Bay, Matt Reinke, Reedsville.

Feature: Kraig Koehler, Two Rivers; Tyler Bauknecht, Reedsville; Kumbalek; Reinke; Jason Rabas, Denmark; Schultz; Adam Pontzloff, Maribel; Rathe; Kris Conard, Manitowoc; Diana Verhagen, Green Bay.

Fast Time: Kyle Quella, Appleton, 13.569 secs.

Heat 1: Rick Jaloszynski, Fond du Lac; Adam Huss; Tyler Nault, Port Washington.

Heat 2: Chris Lowenhagen, Appleton; Jeff Looker, Fremont; Mark Ziegelbauer, Chilton

Feature: Jason Yaeger, Appleton; Looker; Pete Zarnoth, Brillon; Jeff VanHandel, Freedom; K. Quella; Jerry Quella, Appleton; Ziegelbauer; Jason Plutz, Appleton; Jaloszynski; Josh Jeske, Sherwood.

Feature: Hank Horn, Jr., Brillion; Kendra Cretton, Two Rivers; Aaron Dalton, Suamico; Gary Novitski, Jr., Two Rivers; Rick Lorrigan, Maple Grove; Mike Blashka, Reedsville; Mike Dolphin, Maribel; Ben Case, Hilbert; Terry Kust, Two Rivers, Cody Graf, Manitowoc.

Miller Nearly Loses 'Dream' in Nightmare at Scales

ROSSBURG, OH, June 11 -- Matt Miller's \$100,000 thrill of victory nearly turned into the agony of defeat Saturday night at Eldora Speedway.

Miller had just ruled supreme over 144 cars in the 11th annual Dirt Late Model Dream, and prior to the mandatory trip to the scales to verify compliance with the minimum weight rule he performed a couple of quick fuel-consuming "doughnuts" on the front stretch. Then, on his first attempt across the scale his car weighed in at 2,298 pounds - two pounds shy of the 2.300-pound minimum required by the United Midwestern Promoters sanctioning body overseeing the event. As announced in the prerace drivers' meeting. Miller was allowed to back off the scales one time and re-weigh, and this time the scales tipped up to 2,301 pounds, enough to cement the win.

His post-race antics could have burned up as much as a half-gallon of fuel, or approximately four pounds of his "insurance" weight.

Jackie Boggs shot from the pole at the drop of the green flag for the 100-lap grind, while Miller rode in eighth. On lap 16 Boggs encroached upon lapped traffic, but Donnie Moran suffered a flat tire to bring out the event's first yellow flag. One more lap was completed before the race was slowed again, this time for a three-car tangle that was triggered when Chris Madden looped

Prior to the caution Miller had gotten by Tim McCreadie and Madden to take fifth spot, and things remained status quo through lap 32.

when the yellow flew again, this time for a stopped Brandon Kinzer. On the restart Miller disposed of Scott Bloomquist to take third and brought 20th-staring Darrell Lanigan along to

On lap 51 before another caution flag came out, and then on lap 55 Miller got by Jerry Rice for second; two laps later Lanigan did the same, and after a battle for the lead Miller moved to the front on lap 68. Boggs held back Lanigan until lap 78, when Boggs's engine expired. With no further yellow flags to slow the pace, Miller held off Lanigan to the checkered flag, with Bloomquist moving back up to third, Ray Cook taking fourth, and Rice finishing fifth.

After the strong run, Rice missed the minimum weight by 11 pounds, moving Earl Pearson, Jr., to fifth.

RESULTS UMP LATE MODELS

Fast Time: Shannon Babb, 15.240 secs. Heat 1: Scott Bloomquist, Delmas Conley, Don

Ruhlman Heat 3: Jimmy Mars, Matt Miller, Earl Pearson, Jr. Heat 4: Chris Madden, Randy Korte, Jimmy Owens. Heat 5: Jerry Rice, Eddie Carrier, Ray Cook Heat 6: Jackie Boggs, Scott James, Dan Schlieper,

Heat 2: Josh Richards, Tim McCreadie, Brian

C-Main: Jay Johnson, Dale McDowell, Greg Johnson. B-Main: Billy Drake, Donnie Moran, Mike Balzaro. A-Main: 1-10: Miller, Darrel Lanigan, Bloomquist Cook, Pearson, Korte, Richards; Ruhlman; Schlieper

11-20: Carrier, McCreadie, Boggs, O'Neal, Balzano, Moran, Mars, James, Brandon Kinzer, Babb. 21-24: Marklen, Conley, Drake, Rice.

Blum Takes First Deery Series LM Win at Mason City pack before pulling off with Colona, IL; Rob Toland, Hillsdale, IL;

MASON CITY, IA, June 7 --Kevin Blum joined the ranks of first-time IMCA Deery Brothers Summer Series late model feature winners Tuesday night after turning in a dominating flag-to-flag performance at I-35 Speedway in Mason City.

The Colona, IL, clipper started outside on the front row, shot ahead of the 26-car field and was never seriously challenged. Defending Series champion Rob Toland matched his best outing of 2005 with a second-place showing, while Lonnie Bailey was third and Darin Duffy snuck past Tommy Elston on the final circuit for fourth.

Points leader Terry Neal was running with the lead engine problems just after midway.

Polestarter Jerry Dedrick chased Blum before giving way to Toland, Bailey and Neal. That trio pursued the leader into lapped traffic, swapping spots before Neal exited on lap 20. The first 27 laps ran caution-free, but a series of yellows kept the pack close for the next four laps, before Blum held Toland and Bailey at bay to the checkers.

Blum joins Neal, Brian Harris, Bobby Toland and Tom Darbyshire as first-time winners on the tour this year. RESULTS

IMCA LATE MODELS Feature: 1-10: Kevin Blum,

Lonnie Bailey, Quincy, IL; Darin Duffy, Hazleton; Tommy Elston, Keokuk; Greg Elliott, Webster City; Bobby Toland, Hillsdale, IL, Jason Hahne, Webster City; Jerry Dedrick, Vinton; Brenton Slocum, Burlington.

11-20: Darrel DeFrance. Marshalltown, Lorin Johnson, Miller, SD, Greg Kastli, Waterloo, Ryan Griffith, Webster City, Mark Preston, Rock Island, IL; Mike Smith, Jewell; Justin Reed, Quincy, IL; John Bridges, Columbus, NE; Todd Foster, Webster City, Chris Richard, Mount Pleasant. 21-26: Josh McGowan, Vinton;

Terry Neal, Ely; Matt Ryan, Davenport; Sam Halstead, New London: Boone McLaughlin Mediapolis; Dean Wagner II, Waterloo

Heat 1: B. Toland; Richard; Duffy. Heat 2: Reed; Wagner; Dedrick Heat 3: R. Toland, Hahne, Kastli Heat 4 Neal Blum Bailey

B-Feature: McLaughlin;

Wilda Tops Meyers Memorial for First UMARA Win

MORRIS, IL, June 11 -- The UMARA Open Wheel Series took to the Grundy County. Speedway on Saturday night for the first of its special events of the season, the Bob Meyers Memorial. Several members of the Meyers family were on hand, and Bob's son Bobby handled all the trophy presentations.

For the second time in two weeks a first-time feature winner came from the pole. In the National midget feature Patrick Wilda immediately took the top spot and never gave it up, although he was challenged by Sean Murphy early and Jimmy Anderson later. A 360-degree spin by a strong-running Nick Fox brought out the only caution of the race and closed up the field, after which David Ward took a turn at running down Wilda, but Wilda held on to lead Steve Thinnes, Ward, David Gough and Anderson at the checkers.

In a unique victory lane celebration, Wilda's grandfather called on a cell phone to share the

The first National heat was easily won by Ward easily over Fox, while Murphy won the second heat followed by Gough. The second heat was marred when Tony Devea rolled over and collected Klaus Wever and Terry Ahern, ending the night for all three cars.

Joe Knippel became the first two-time winner of the year in the Sportsman midgets, edging out Danny Drogemuller to the finish line. Scott Shilkuski, Aaron Willis and Basil Hicks rounded out the top five.

Drogemuller won the first heat followed by Mike Krysiak. During the race Adam Laurie suffered an apparent mechanical problem and looped his car near the middle of the backstraight, leaving Wever and David Budres nowhere to go and collecting them. The second heat belonged to Mike Bettenhausen, over Rich Peceniak.

Freddie Teer and David Gough shared the honors in the 360 sprints, with Teer winning the heat followed by Gough, but the two swapping finishing positions in the main. Tom Schnabel was third, Mark Shuck took fourth, and Loran Critchett, Jr., was fifth in his first sprint car ride

Schnabel's luck didn't hold as well with his BIDCA classic modified racer, as he broke in the heat and did not return for the feature. Todd Shepherd overcame his recent gremlins to win both the heat and feature, with Ken Osborne taking second in both races. Dan Pote, Roger Osborne and Vicki Schnabel filled out the top five in the main.

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Casey Tops Hibbing LM Special

by Jerry O'Brien

HIBBING, MN, June 7 --Terry Casey of New London, WI, captured his first-ever AmsOil Late Model Series victory Tuesday night at the Hibbing Raceway. Casey started the 35-lap event from the inside on the second row and tracked early leader and three-time Series champion Steve Laursen for much of the event before powering past for the win.

Polesitter Caley Emerson led a four-car pack that put some distance on the fifthplace battle before the only caution flag of the event flew. when Bill Byholm and Steve

Vesel made contact and Vesel spun. The track-mandated double-file restart allowed Laursen to gain an advantage over Emerson and build up a lead, while Casey quickly worked into second and set off to track down

Eventually Casey drew alongside Laursen and powered by, and without a caution flag to slow action the leaders closed on heavy slower traffic, which Casey worked through. Laursen closed at times to within a car-length but could not make a run for the lead. and Casey held on for the WISSOTA LATE MODELS

Heat 1: Terry Casey, New London, WI: Nick Nelson, Duluth; Paul Brust, Pice Lake, WI Heat 2: Pat Doar, New Pictimond,

WI; Darrell Nelson, Hermantown Box Reed Comon Heat 3 Ke y Estey Ke y Lake

Steve Laursen, Cumberland, WI Vice Weger Crosset Hear 4: Tom Waseleski, Hooling,

Jeff Broking, Grand Rapids, Caley Emerson, Grand Papids B-Main 1: Tom Nesbitt, Thunder Bay, ONT; Todd Gehl, Solon

Springs, Will Brian Strand, Bernid, B-Main 2: Tim McMann, Duluth, Mitch Johnson, Hickson, ND: John CAM BATTO,

Feature Casey Laursen Provinzino Emerson, Reed Doar Harry Hanson, Eveleth, Brust, BYCKING D YEST



Eventual WISSOTA super stock feature winner Kevin Adams (40) works on Aaron Wilson (92) for the lead on Sunday night at Eagle Valley Speedway.

Carolyn Nosser Tops EVS Foes

by Ed Reichert

JIM FALLS, WI, June 12 - Carolyn Nosser became the first female driver in Eagle Valley Speedway track history to win a feature race, as she topped the pure stock main event on a beautiful June Sunday night.

Nosser took the early lead in the non-stop feature and pulled out to a six car-length lead before Wade Aspen closed in. Aspen got around Nosser with a half-dozen laps remaining and crossed the finish line first, ahead of Nosser, Dustin and Austin Schultz and Adam Soltis fifth. However, the cars of Aspen, Dustin Schultz and Soltis all failed technical inspection, and the official finishing order made Nosser the historic winner.

The closest race of the night was the street stock feature which saw the top three finish side by side. Cale Berry took the early lead, but Cory Crapser dove low to get under Berry and take over the lead. Jared Loos pressured Berry until they came together and spun for the lone yellow of the race. Wayne Dean took second, while Chris Peterson closed on the leaders, and Dean went to the high side in the final corner, while Peterson dove low, and they flashed across the line with Crapser holding off Peterson by half a length for the win.

The tedious super stock feature saw seven yellow flags and finished with half the starting field in the pits, but the race wasn't settled until a last-lap pass by Kevin Adams. Adams moving up from the second row to pressure leader Aaron Wilson through a series of spins and tangles; on two occasions Adams completed passes for the lead, only to have yellows negate the moves. As the leaders came for the white flag, Wilson slipped high and opened the door for Adams; then Wilson dove and the leaders came together solidly door to door. Both maintained control, and Adams edged clear of Wilson for the win.

A mid-race pass of Ashley Anderson allowed Steve Laursen to take his first late model win of the year here. Anderson open up a few carlength lead early as Laursen moved into second and worked the low side, looking for a move. But after a mid-race yellow, Laursen got off to a great restart and slipped into the lead, then immediately stretched his advantage and drove home for the easy win.

Paul Niznik was the initial leader of the modified feature, as early yellows slowed the action. But Craig Thatcher roared up and blasted into the lead, and once in front he opened up nearly a straightaway lead and ran away for the win.

In the non-stop Midwest modified feature, Dan Wheeler ran down Shane Holopka to take the lead, then withstood a late-race resurgence by Holopka to hold on for the win. Holopka made a strong run off the final corner and nearly got back under Wheeler, but Wheeler held on.

RESULTS

WISSOTA LATE MODELS
Feature: Steve Laursen, Ashley Anderson, Tony Bahr,
John Kaanta, Tim Isenberg, Rick Hanestad, Pat Doar,
Ron Schreiner, Adam Hensel, Chad Mahder.

Heat 1: Mahder, Anderson, Bahr. Heat 2: Laursen, Schreiner, Doar. WISSOTA MODIFIEDS

Feature: Craig Thatcher, Todd Siddons, Luke Schilling, Tyler Keyser, Chris Oertel, Jed Moore, Paul Niznik, Dave Baxter, Shaun Kreyer, Kent Baxter.

Heat 1: Oertel, Paul Knauf, Siddons. Heat 2: Thatcher, Moore, Niznik. WISSOTA SUPER STOCKS

Feature: Kevin Adams, Aaron Wilson, Cory Mahder, Rodney Olson, Chad Zastrow, Eric Olson, Tom Hovind, Bryan Nayes, Jake Redetzke, Mark Stender.

Heat 1: Adams, Mahder, Redetzke. Heat 2: Wilson, Paul Erikson, Nayes

WISSOTA MIDWEST MODIFIEDS
Feature: Dan Wheeler, Shane Holopka, Travis
Krause, Frank Soucek, Ryan Olson, Dan Svee, Steve
Hallquist, Dave Salzmann Jr, Brad Hudson, Rod Ryba.

B Feature: Paul Clark, John Burgess, Bob Anderson. Heat 1: Krause, Bryan Siercks, Ryba. Heat 2: Scott Duval, Hudson, Svee.

Heat 3: Wheeler, Soucek, Hallquist.
WISSOTA STREET STOCKS

Feature: Cory Crapser, Chris Peterson, Wayne Dean, Steve Golat, Jesse Redetzke, Jay Kesan, Ron Hanestad,

Cale Berry, Troy Fransway, Jared Loos. Heat 1: Berry, Keith Tourville, Butch Kummer, Heat 2: Dean, Crapser, Golat.

PURE STOCKS

Feature: Carolyn Nosser, Austin Schultz, Josh Rud Bill Benish, Tommy Richards, Matt Franz, Scott Kralicek Matt Wilke, Adam Berg, Scott Anderson.

Heat 1: Adam Soltis, Nosser, Rud. Heat 2: Richards, A. Schultz, Franz



Cory Crapser (07) and Wayne Dean (17) duke it out for the WISSOTA street stock feature win at EVS on Sunday. (Chris Burback photos)

McNett, Johnson, Degenhardt Win Features Before Rains Come at Lafayette County

DARLINGTON, WI, June 10 -- A wonderful crowd greeted the drivers at the Lafayette County Speedway on Friday night, but the weather that swept over the track during feature time made the surface unraceable for the final four events of the night.

Washed-out features for the A-modifieds, limited late models, hobby stocks and B-mods will be made up as part of double features on Friday night, June 17.

Among the three features.

the limited stocks saw a complete restart on the opening circut after Nick Burreson's incident, then ran off ten straight laps to the checkered, with Argyle's Tim McNett starting up front and staying there for his second victory of the year. Brodhead's Joe Graves came home second, followed by Larry Schultz and Joe Corley, who edged out Jesse Brooks for fourth.

Joe Corley, who edged out Jesse Brooks for fourth. The pro-four main saw Jack Sauer charged through the

field to challenge, but Jerry

Johnson won his second feature of the year, edging out son Travis by half a carlength. Sauer finished a distant third, followed by Rodney Metcalf and Tim Raisbeck.

Light rain began falling near the end of the ten-lap Bomber feature, as Apple River's Chuck Griffen led the race for the first six laps before Jeff Degenhardt passed him on the high side and ran on to the victory. J.R. Kingery, Shane Bennett and Rueben Riley completed the top five.

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Pat Kelly (outside) works to get past Eddie Hoffman (8) while Dave Weltmeyer (16) takes a peak underneath during late model feature action at Illiana Speedway on Saturday night.

Kelly Keeps Hoffman at Bay for Illiana Late Model Win

by Tony Baranek

SCHERERVILLE, IN, June 11 -- Pat Kelly passed and then held off Eddie Hoffman Saturday night en route to his second late model feature win of the season at Illiana Speedway.

Kelly took the lead from Hoffman on lap 16, then did a good job of keeping him at bay the rest of the way to beat Hoffman to the finish line by 1.802 seconds.

The 15-car starting field was reduced by two early when Brian Muick and John Nutley crashed. Late model rookie Keith Sterkowitz then grabbed the lead and stayed there until lap 3 before surrendering to Hoffman. Kelly then came from his fifth starting position to chase down and pass the leader. Eventually Hoffman worried more about holding off third-place Dave Weltmeyer. Joe O'Connor was fourth, followed by Kevin

Moenck

In the limited late model division, Anthony Danta made a late-race pass stand up and scored the victory in the 25lap feature. Danta took the lead from Jack Kalwasinski just three laps from the finish; Kalwasinski had been the point since lap 6, when he made a successful move on Mike Marden. Danta beat Kalwasinski by a 0.533-second margin. Joe Fadke finished third, with Richard Dawson and Marden completing the top five.

Josh Nelms continued his fine early season by posting an impressive 1.131-second victory over Jeff Cannon. Bill Neering, John Firorita and Shawn Matthuis were third through fifth.

Brian Kucaba added his name to the turbo stox record books by capturing his first feature victory. Kucaba prevailed fairly comfortably over Tommy Prim, while Billy Jarrells, Ryan Moore and Mark Ross followed.

RESULTS

LATE MODELS

Heat 1: Eddie Hoffman, Dave Weltmeyer, Mike White.

Heat 2: Mike Monroe, Joe O'Connor, Scott Koerner. Feature: Pat Kelly, Hoffman,

Weltmeyer, O'Connor, Kevin Moenck, White. LIMITED LATE MODELS

Heat 1: Andy Marchiniak, Richard Dawson, Mike Marden.

Heat 2: Gary Holliner, Westin Griffith, Jr., Kevin Ramey. Feature: Anthony Danta, Jack Kalwasinski, Joe Fadke Dawson

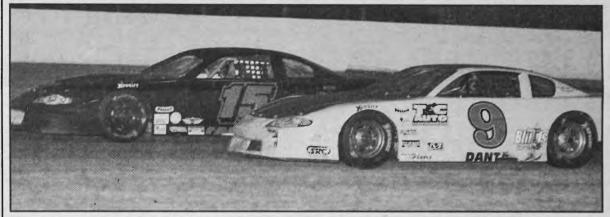
Kalwasinski, Joe Fadke, Dawson, Marden, Marchiniak. MID-AMERICANS Heat: Josh Nelms, Jeff Cannon,

Bill Neering.
Feature: Nelms, Cannon,
Neering, John Fiorita, Shawn
Matthuis, Little Sean Matthuis.

TURBO STOX
Heat 1: Brian Kucaba, Billy
Jarrells, Tommy Prim.

Heat 2: Dennis Lyp, Steve Whitehead, Scott Schick.

Feature: Kucaba, Prim, Jarrells, Ryan Moore, Mark Ross, Roger Rubino.



Anthony Danta (9) makes his move to the inside on Joe Fadke (15) for the lead in the limited late model feature Saturday night at Illiana. (Chuck Gonzalez photos)

Tornado Warning Forces I-94 Cancellation

by Dean Reller

SAUK CENTRE, MN, June 11 -- Halfway through Legends qualifying, a tornado warning prompted officials at the I-94 Raceway to cancel the balance of the scheduled race program. Race fans and crews scurried to leave as heavy rains, strong winds and threatening

skies moved over the track.

No actual tornado touchdown was reported. The cancellation was the fourth of the season, as only three race programs have been run at I-94 this season.

Racing will resume on Saturday, June 18.



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Kyle Roderick (25), Kerry Matthew (14) and Dick Potts (92) fight for position early in the late model feature at Kankakee Valley Motor Speedway on Friday night. (Chuck Gonzalez photo)

Loomis, Hamstra Make It Two Straight at Kankakee

KANKAKEE, IL, June 10 -- Defending track late model champion Ted Loomis notched his second straight feature win Friday night at the Kankakee Valley Motor Speedway.

Loomis blasted to the lead at the first green flag and led all the way, with only two brief challenges. Midway through, eventual runnerup John Provenzano pulled even with a lowside charge, but Loomis powered back to a two car-length lead. Then, with three laps remaining, R.J. Gall came up on the front-runners using the slick middle groove, but he settled for

In the open-wheel modifieds, Dan Hamstra also made it two in a row with a comfortable feature win. Bob Pohlman held on for second, ahead of a strong run by third-place Dave

Don McCarty came through the semi-feature to charge from the back of the street stock feature and pick up the checkered flag. Kevin Lenzen was second, and Darrin Kohler borrowed Robert Turner's car to run third. RESULTS

LATE MODELS

Fast Time: R.J. Gall, 14.846 secs. Heat 1: Ted Looms; Frank Heckenast, Sr.; Chuck

Heat 2: Garrett Slager; John Provenzano; Dick Potts. Feature: Loomis; Provenzano; Gall; Frank Heckenast, Jr.; Kerry Matthew.

OPEN-WHEEL MODIFIEDS

Fast Time: Dan Hamstra, 16.101 secs. Heat 1: Tim Reynolds; Hamstra; Phil Line Heat 2: Jammie Wilson; Kevin Hastings; Matt

Heat 3: Bob Pohlman; Dave Porth; Travis Kohler. Consolation: Joel Funk; Jim Farris; Steve McCarty. Feature: Hamstra; Pohlman; Porth; Hastings; Funk. STREET STOCKS

Fast Time: Jay Hamilton, 18.047 secs. Heat 1: Mike Cavanaugh; Joe Brown; Hamilton. Heat 2: Kevin Lenzen; Steve Dimmick; Billy Wicker. Heat 3: Brett Peters; Randy Akers; Bill Stevenson. Consolation: Don McCarty; Damon Miller; Steve

Feature: McCarty; Lenzen; Darrin Kohler; Hamilton;

Hallquist, Prochnow are Red Cedar Winners by Ed Reichert bumper, then drove under MENOMONIE, WI, June 10 for the

-- Steve Hallquist and Ross Prochnow pulled off thrilling last-lap victories as racing action continued on a warm but dry night at the Red Cedar Speedway.

Hallquist and Ben Hillman spent most of the super stock feature running side by side before the issue was decided on the final corner. Hillman blasted off the cushion and drove into the early lead, while Hallquist came roaring up from the third row into second and closed on the leader. They raced wheel to wheel before Hallquist edged ahead, but Hillman remained a carlength behind until the white flag waved, when he made one last charge. As they raced off the final corner Hillman pulled up beside Hallquist, but at the line the official call went to Hallquist by less than a foot.

The modified feature was nearly as close, with Prochnow holding off a final charge by Dave Cain. Prochnow started on the pole and edged into the early lead, but Cain soon took over the top spot from the second row. Prochnow continued to work the low side and stay within a car-length, occasionally pulling up beside Cain. As they raced to the white flag Cain jumped the cushion and banged off the wall, and Prochnow edged under him to take the lead. Cain banged off the wall trying to catch up and closed the margin in the final corner, but Prochnow held on

by a car-length for the win. Pat Doar became the sixth late model feature winner in six nights of racing at Red Cedar, as he took the early lead, overcame a mid-race pass by Mike Goodremote, and held off Goodremote for the win. Goodremote cut into Doar's early lead and, by halfway, was right on Doar's

Goodremote led for two laps before Doar returned the favor when Goodremote pushed up toward the wall. Doar then stretched his margin to several car-lengths before the lone vellow waved with 15 laps complete, and he got a good restart and Goodremote could offer no serious challenges in the remaining five laps.

The battle for the lead during the WISSOTA super stock feature between eventual

winner Steve Hallquist (27) and Ben Hillman (22) at Red Cedar Speedway on Friday,

Mark Hanson took the early lead in the Midwest modified feature, but Jim Bourn won a four-wide race for second and eventually got under Hanson to take the lead. Three yellow flags in the first five laps kept the field bunched, but Bourn maintained his lead while Mark Thomas eventually found second. The yellow flag then waved a fourth time and, due to time limits, the race was ruled complete with Bourn taking the win.

Chris Peterson led all the way for his third street stock win of the season. He started on the pole and broke away from a big battle for second. A late spin set up a two-lap sprint to the finish, but Peterson pulled away for the

Zach Ellis celebrated his 16th birthday Friday night with his first-ever pure stock feature win at Red Cedar, leading all the way. Ellis quickly got past Evan Quilling and immediately stretched his lead, but he almost lost his margin when he lost control. and nearly spun out. He made the save but found Mike Knudtsen on his rear bumper, and the yellow flew when Ryan Greener lost a wheel to set up a two-lap sprint to the finish. But Ellis got a great restart and opened up a comfortable margin to record only the second feature win of his

RESULTS

WISSOTA LATE MODELS Feature: Pat Doar, Mike Goodremote, Brad Waits, John Kaanta, Joel Cryderman, Tony Bahr, Scott Gilberts, Mike Prochnow, Jerry Redetzke, Tim Isenberg. B Feature: Tom Nesbitt, Isenberg.

Bryan Hessler. Heat 1: Cryderman, Kerry

Hanson, Kaartta. Heat 2: Prochnow, Chad Mahder,

Rick Hanestad. Heat 3: Doar, Goodremote,

WISSOTA MODIFIEDS

Feature: Ross Prochnow, Dave Cain, Jason Miller, Todd Siddons, John Kaanta, Craig Thatcher, Tyler Keyser, Paul Harelstad, Ron Mahder, Brent Prochnow.

B Feature: Mike Anderson

(Colfax), Paul Niznik, A.J. Heuer. Heat 1: Kaanta, Mahder, Miller.

Heat 2: Cain, B. Prochnow, Scott Splittstoesser. Heat 3: Thatcher, R. Prochnow,

WISSOTA SUPER STOCKS

Feature: Steve Hallquist, Ben Hillman, Shawn Huse, Cory Davis, Cory Mahder, Jake Redetzke, Rick Ellis, Greg Nippoldt, Mike Keller, **Brad Banitt**

B Feature 1: Rodney Olson, Steve Thomas, Bryan Nayes B Feature 2: John Feirn, Bob

Brenner, Jeff Bush. Heat 1: Huse, Keller, Nippoldt.

Heat 2: Ellis, Cole Queensland, Bernie Christianson.

Heat 3: Hillman, S. Hallquist, Aaron Wilson.

Heat 4: Redetzke, Kevin Adams,

WISSOTA MIDWEST MODIFIEDS

Feature: Jim Bourn, Mark Thomas, Mark Hanson, Kevin Adams, Brad Hudson, Kent Paulson, Dan Svee, Bryce Johnson, Justin Supri, Travis Hallquist.

Heat 1: Dan Wheeler, Svee,

Heat 2: Hallquist, Craig Brightbill,

Supri.

Heat 3: Bourn, Hanson, Thomas. WISSOTA STREET STOCKS

Feature: Chris Peterson, Ron Hanestad, Cory Crapser, Butch Madsen, Jason VandeKamp, Wayne Dean, Troy Fransway, Jimmy Gullikson, Jeff Heintz, Joe Rhead.

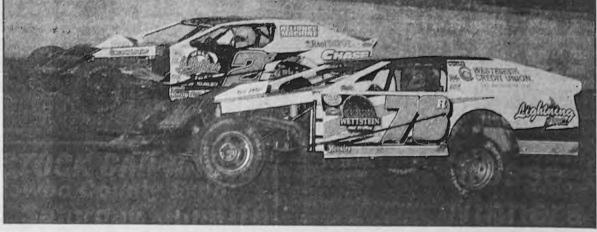
Heat 1: Madsen, Crapser, Ajay Christianson. Heat 2: Fransway, Hanestad,

Jimmy Randall Heat 3: Peterson, Dean, Randy

Bradford. **PURE STOCKS**

Feature: Zach Ellis, Mike Knudtsen, Justin Lindner, Adam Soltis, Evan Quilling, Wade Aspin, Eric Partlow, Mike Harshman, Doug Field, Jeremy Dahl.

Heat 1: Knudtsen, Soltis, Lindner. Heat 2: Quilling, Jordan Johnson,



Eventual winner Ross Prochnow (78R) holds off Dave Cain (2c) during the WISSOTA modified feature at Menomonie on Friday night. (Chris Burbak photos)

Trimble Takes First Checkers of Season at Benton County

by Ryan Clark

VINTON, IA, June 12 -- On Sunday fans were treated to fast and exciting racing action, as 93 cars signed in to compete at Benton County Speedway.

Defending stock car track champion Dan Trimble made nis way to victory lane for the first time this season in the nost exciting race of the evening. Robert Englekes paced the field early from the front row, while Damon Murty and Trimble worked through raffic from mid-pack. Murty nade his way around Englekes and into the lead after three laps, and Trimble settled into second one lap ater. The two engaged in a loor-to-door battle over the inal ten laps of the event pefore Trimble settled into the op spot with five laps to go, vinning by a car-length over

Murty. Randy Trefz led the modiied feature field for the first en circuits, while Scott Hogan worked his way through the ield. Hogan reeled in Trefz at he midway point and led the inal half of the 20-lapper to core his second win of the eason.

Steve Kesl led all 15 laps of ie hobby stock main event to ake his first win of the seaon. Kesl won the event going way from his brother Bobby.

Doug Smith, Scott Welsh nd Dan Higdon engaged in a iree-car battle through much

of the pro stock feature before Smith stood victorious in the winner's circle for the first time

Kyle Olson was the early leader in the sportmod feature until he spun on lap 4, handing the lead to Danny Dvorak. As the race's final caution was displayed on lap 11 the time limit expired, and Olson led Tony Olson across the line.

The team of Doug Steggall and Mitch Lewis led wire-towire in the cruiser feature to score their first win of the season. Their victory broke the five-race winning streak of Ryan Buhr and Shawn Ritter. who finished second.

RESULTS **IMCA MODIFIEDS**

Heat 1: Buck Swanson, Cedar Falls; Buster Pate, Hiawatha; Todd Jensen, Waterloo.

Heat 2: Randy Trefz, Vinton; Adam Bolin, Waterloo; Tim Murty,

Heat 3: Brian Krall, Readlyn; Patrick Flannagan, Cedar Rapids, Troy Cordes, Raymond.

B Feature: Scott Hogan, Vinton; Jerry Luloff, Independence; Ed Thomas, Waterloo. A Feature: Hogan; Jackson; Trefz; Jensen; Luloff; Don Erger, Brandon; Krall; Thomas; Swanson;

IMCA STOCK CARS

Heat 1: LaVerne Weber, Waterloo; Rick Quail, Waterloo; Dan Trimble, Fairbank,

Heat 2: Justin Lichty, Ventura, Robert Englekes, Dike: Sean Johnson, Independence

A Feature: Trimble; Damon Murty, Chelsea; Justin Temeyer, Independence; Kevin Rose, Waterloo; Englekes; Lichty; Doug Otto, Cedar Falls; L. Weber; Scooter

Michael Marshalltown; Shane Ebaugh, Cedar Heat 2: Steve Kesl, Elberon; Brian Happel, Cedar Rapids; Steve Meyer, Grundy Center.

Dulin, Cedar Rapids; Norman

Heat 1: Rod Grother, Cedar

Chesmore, Quasqueton.

IMCA HOBBY STOCKS

A Feature: S. Kesl; Bobby Kesl, Vining; Vince Buchholz, Cedar Falls; Chris Luloff, Independence; Brad Forbes, Waterloo; Happel; Paul Shepherd, Marengo; Ebaugh; Ryan Higdon, Vinton; Curt Hilmer, Dysart.

Heat 1: Danny Dvorak, Vinton; Bob Ebaugh, Raymond; J.R. Kahler,

IMCA SPORTMODS

Heat 2: Brett Root, Vinton; Tony Olson, Cedar Rapids; Mike Hiller, Dunkerton.

A Feature: Dvorak; T. Olson; Ryan Coleman, Urbana; Frankie Dulin, Vinton; Root; Todd Temeyer, Independence; Ron Tharp, Vinton; Dawn Krall, Waterloo; Kyle Olson, Cedar Rapids; Hiller **PRO STOCKS**

Heat: Scott Welsh, Cedar Rapids; Alan Wessels, Strawberry Point; Jeff Lickiss, Oelwein.

A Feature: Doug Smith, Center Point; Welsh; Dan Higdon, Vinton; Wessels; Tim Bartholomew, Waterloo, Lickiss; Damien Fairbanks, Vinton; Kevin Curl, Cedar Rapids CRUISERS

Heat: Ryan Buhr, Keystone, & Shawn Ritter, Newhall; Doug Steggall & Mitch Lewis, Cedar Rapids; Martin Halstead, Van Horne, & William Grimm, Garrison.

Feature: Steggall & Lewis; Buhr & Ritter; Halstead & Grimm; Ben Beer & Gary Squires, Center Point; Rob Miller, Vinton, & George Lewis, Cedar Rapids; Ed O'Brien & Bill McVey, Cedar Rapids; Russell Damme & Gary Gates, Waterloo; Jason Doyle & Mike McDonald, Cedar Rapids; Mitchell Bunten &

Grasse, Schuenemann are **Ninners at Riverside**

y Jeremy Mayo

EAGLE RIVER, WI, June 7 -- The strong, evere thunderstorms that ripped through the orthwoods left Riverside Raceway untouched

The Midwest modified feature belonged to rry Grasse, who led flag to flag. Grasse took e lead from the outside of the front row, while plesitter Guy Carley fell in line into second. arly in the race, a near-spin put Bob leinschmidt several car-lengths back in fifth, ut third-place runner Bob Richardson's rightear wheel took issue with him, and fourth-running Tad Schoonover got tangled up with a apped car, helping Kleinschmidt move to third by the end of the race.

In the street stock feature, Mark Schuenemann started from the outside on the front row, took the lead from Riverside rookie Cory Casari and pulled away early. Casari chipped away at Schuenemann's lead, but Schuenemann kept Casari from making a winning pass. Lee Christjohn maintained his points lead with a solid third-place finish, and Fritz Scharf was fourth.

Shawn Bialas dominated the pure stock feature in what might be one of his last outings in the division, as he plans a move back into street stocks.

The Bandits and Super Bandits finale saw Mark Rose and Eli Gustafson battle door to door in the opening laps, grinding on each

another enough to cause a synchronized spin that put both drivers to the back of the pack. That handed the lead to Larry Leonarduzzi, who stretched it to nearly ten car-lengths with eight laps to go before Rose and Gustafson worked their way back to second and third. Leonarduzzi's lead dwindled by the final lap, but he made his car as wide as possible and held on to score his first career victory at Riverside. Rose came across the line sideways, smacking the inside guardrail, but held on to second over Gustafson. RESULTS

WISSOTA MIDWEST MODIFIEDS Heat: Carley; Kleinschmidt; Schoonover.

Feature: Grasse; Carley; Kleinschmidt; Rodziczak;

WISSOTA STREET STOCKS

PURE STOCKS

Heat: Tarsi; Christjohn, Scharf. Feature: Schuenemann, Casari, Christjohn; Scharf,

Heat: Bialas, Luedke, R. Valeria Feature: Bialas, Johnson, Luedke, Valeria: Nutter. BANDITS/SUPER BANDITS

Heat: Gustafson, Leonarduzzi, Justin

Feature: Leonarduzzi, Rose, Gustafson: Christofferson; Miller

Edwards Gives Roush First Victory at Pocono

from NASCAR.com

LONG POND, PA, June 12 -- Carl Edwards raced to his second NASCAR Nextel Cup victory of the year Sunday at Pocono Raceway, easily adjusting to a new gearing rule and avoiding the tire woes that plagued other driv-

Edwards, who celebrated his first Cup victory three months ago in Atlanta with a backflip from the window of his car, did it again Sunday. He led 45 of 201 laps and beat Brian Vickers in a race that ended under caution on the 2.5-mile triangle. Edwards took the lead for the fourth and final time on lap 187, while Vickers led six times for 121 laps, both race highs.

Edwards, who moved from ninth to fourth in the Cup standings, set a Pocono record for winning from the deepest in the field, as he started 29th. It was the seventh victory for Roush Racing in 14 races this season but its first here since the team entered the sport in 1988.

Jimmie Johnson, who swept the races here last year, finished sixth to increase his points lead to 123 over Greg Biffle, who finished 30th.

The gearing rule being used at certain events was in force, making this the first Pocono race in many years without drivers downshifting to gain quick acceleration exiting the sharp turns. The rule is

by Jerry O'Brien

Record Car Count for

Proctor's First Full Show

PROCTOR, MN, June 12 -- Mother Nature gave the Proctor

Speedway a perfect Sunday for its first complete show of the

season, and a record car count greeted a full house, with four

In the make-up features, ninth-starting Monte Hall took the

midwest modified win over early leader Nick Lavato, Tim

Johnson turned an outside-pole start into a win in the super

stocks over polesitter Kevin Salin, Kelly Estey parlayed a pole-

position start into the modified win over a very fast Brad

Hanson, and Rob Monahan cruised to an easy pure stock win,

In the late models' scheduled 20-lap main event Danny

Young shot into the early lead. The first of six caution flags

appeared when Caley Emerson spun, and caution number two

flew when Mike Meger slowed. Jeff Provinzino and Harry

Hanson battled for second, letting Young ease out to a bit of a

lead, but action was slowed again when Kelly Estey spun. Two

laps after the restart Hanson disposed of Provinzino and

tracked down Young and took the lead before the fourth yellow

flag flew when Johnny Carpenter slid off turn 1. The caution

gave Provinzino the opportunity to wrestle second from Young,

but the fifth caution flag for the stalled of Nick Nelson gave

Young back the spot. The final caution flag flew for Carpenter

again, and on the restart Young got a great jump, only to have

At the green of the modified feature Jeff Wood grabbed the lead. Estey repeatedly dived inside on Wood until he was finally

Hanson regain the lead and dominate the final laps for the win.

able to take the lead. A clash between Steve Arpin and a fast-

closing Hanson resulted in Arpin's ride turning over to bring out

the red flag. Arpin appeared to be uninjured, and at the green

flag Wood used a great run past Estey for the lead, but a cau-

tion flag restored Estev to the lead, where he staved for the win.

Sunday night, June 19. For the remainder of the summer racing

RESULTS

B Main 1: Rick Simpson, Bobby

B Main 2: Dave Flynn, Jay Kuras,

Heat 1: Steve Arpin, Troy Jordan,

Heat 2: Shane Sabraski, Willie

Heat 3: Justin Jones, D.J.

Heat 4: Greg Chesley, Nick

B Main 1: Shawn Ziells, Mike

B Main 2: Danny Vang, Devin

Heat 1: Rick Kesty, Scott Larsen.

Heat 2: Dustin Lunde, Jon

Heat 3: Jason Ziells, Shawn

Heat 4: Rob Monahan, Jim

B Main 1: Allen Price, Andy

B Main 2 Glenn Dammer, Davis

WISSOTA MIDWEST MODIFIEDS

Carlson, Doug Woodhull,

Feature: postponed

Thompson, Steve Alsaker.

Severin, John Hettinga.

Lavato, Jori Hughes.

Jones, J.J. Thompson.

Van House, Loren Inman.

Feature: postponed.

McKinnon, Tom Morinville

McClellan, Tom Cornelison.

Davey, Chad Carlson.

Deloach, Mark Carlson

Feature postponed

PURE STOCKS

Willis, Al Rapp.

Nick Baker.

Donnie Lofdahl.

Pete Hines.

will start 30 minutes earlier, with hot laps at 4:30.

WISSOTA LATE MODELS

Provinzino, Tom Nesbitt.

Hanson, Danny Young.

WISSOTA MODIFIEDS

Nelson, Rick Cannata.

Schultz, Jayme Lautigar.

Carpenter, Duane Dale

Lien, Lautigar, Bellefeuille

Bellefeuille, Gordy Maki

Kintner Jim Campbell

Kyle Peterlin.

Eric Nelson

WISSOTA SUPER STOCKS

Bellefeuille, Tim Alexander.

Mike Meger

Heat 1: Darrell Nelson, Jeff

Heat 2: Kelly Estey, Harry

Heat 3: Jeff Broking, Steve Vesel,

Feature: Hanson, Young, Provin-

Heat 1: Clint Larson, Jody

Heat 2: Kelly Estey, Brad

Heat 4: Scott Hudack, Paul

B Main: Jeff Lien. John

Feature: Estey, Copp. Wood.

Heat 1: Tim Johnson, Jeff Tardy.

Heat 2: Bruce Johnson, Mike

Heat 3: Ryan Aho, Jeff Forseen.

Heat 4 Scott Lawrence Jay

Nelson, Hudack, Larson, John Riani,

Hanson, Don Copp. Heat 3: Jeff Wood, Darrell

zino, D. Nelson, J. Broking, Tim

McMann, Nesbitt, John Massingill,

Darin Meierotto, Jeff Massingill.

Due to the curfew, the final three features were postponed to

also from the pole, over a closing Ricky Davis.

make-up features on tap from the rained-out May 28 show.

designed to cut rpms and reduce the number of engine failures: there was only one on a hot and humid day.

But cut tires were the main problem for the drivers. More than 20 tires deflated in Sunday's Pocono 500 - most on the left-front, due perhaps to set-ups used to counter the lack of shifting - and NASCAR and Goodyear said after the race that data from the weekend would have to be analyzed before any tire changes for July's Pennsylvania 500 were contemplated.

Third in the \$4.75 million race was Joe Nemechek, ahead of rookie Kyle Busch and polesitter Michael Waltrip. The winner averaged 129.177 mph in a race slowed eight times by 32 of caution. There were 14 lead changes among seven drivers.

RESULTS

1-10: Carl Edwards, Brian Vickers, Joe Nemechek, Kyle Busch, Michael Waltrip, Jimmie Johnson, Mark Martin, Kevin Harvick, Jeff Gordon, Jamie McMurray

11-20: Rusty Wallace, Terry Labonte, Dale Jarrett, Jeremy Mayfield, Jeff Green, Sterling Marlin, Travis Kvapil, Casey Mears, Jeff Burton, Ken Schrader.

21-30: Elliott Sadler, Kurt Busch Bobby Hamilton, Jr., Dave Blaney Mike Garvey, Bobby Labonte, Kasey Kahne, Ricky Rudd, Tony Stewart

31-40: Mike Wallace, Matt Kenseth, Dale Earnhardt, Jr., Ryan Newman, Mike Bliss, Scott Wimmer, Scott Riggs, Kevin Lepage, Robby Gordon, Jason Leffler

41-43: Kyle Petty, Morgan Shepherd, Greg Sacks.



The crew goes to work on servicing driver David Reutimann's truck during the NASCAR Truck Series race at Texas Motor Speedway Friday night.

(Nate Mecha/HSP photo)

Sprague Gets 25th Career Truck Series Win

from NASCAR.com

FORT WORTH, TX, June 10 -- Jack Sprague led the final nine laps Friday night for his 25th career NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series victory, but first in more than a year.

Sprague, who beat Johnny Benson by 1.3 seconds, hadn't won since May 2004, but after taking four tires on his last pit stop with about 30 laps left, Sprague stayed with the front pack and pulled ahead on lap 159 when David Reutimann pitted for the last time. Sprague led only one other time in the Chex 400K at Texas Motor Speedway for three laps during an early caution period.

Chase Montgomery's hard crash led to a six-minute redflag stop just past the halfway point. Montgomery's truck came to rest in the middle of the track going into the first turn after getting sandwiched between Robert Huffman and Bobby Hamilton, and contact sent Montgomery sliding and slamming broadside into the inside wall before ricocheting across the track. NASCAR

officials said Montgomery was awake and alert when he was transported by ambulance to a hospital.

On the restart on lap 99 Mike Skinner held off Ron Hornaday, but 22 laps later Skinner went high into turn 2, allowing Hornaday to slip under him.

Deborah Renshaw started ninth, the first top-ten female qualifier in the Truck Series since 1997, but dropped to 18th within the first 35 laps, and that is where she finished.

RESULTS

1-10: Jack Sprague, Johnny Benson, Dennis Setzer, Mike Skinner, Matt Crafton, Ron Hornaday, Terry Cook, Clay Rogers, David Starr, David Reutimann.

11-20: Johnny Sauter, Eric Norris, Ricky Craven, Ted Musgrave, Brandon Whitt, Steve Park, Bobby Hamilton, Deborah Renshaw, Rick Crawford, Brad Keselowski

21-30: Jimmy Spencer, Bill Lester, Chad Chaffin, Jimmy Kite. Todd Kluever, Tracy Hines, Brendan Gaughan, Robert Huffman, Kelly Sutton, Todd Bodine.

31-36: Robert Pressley, Timothy Peters, Chase Montgomery, Blake Mallory, Shigeaki Hattori, Johnny Chapman.

Grove; Ray Sandgren, New Richmond, WI; Ted Reuvers,

Northfield; Kristopher Morelan,

Nerstrand; Joseph Garofalo,

Lakeville; Adam Wolfe, Rosemount;

James Lindgren, Apple Valley; Dave Franek, Montgomery; James Weeks, St. Paul.

Feature: Jeff Partington,

Farmington; Chad Tuma, Burnsville;

Jeremy Rypkema, Lonsdale; Heath

Herman, Jordan; Kevin Novotny,

Montgomery: Matt Ryan, Elko:

Adam Wiebusch, Shakopee;

Michael Meszaros, Rosemount;

Steve Klose, Farmington; Bud Kane,

POWER STOCKS

Morristown.

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Reuvers Three-Peats at Elko

ELKO, MN, June 11 --Donny Reuvers took 11 laps to gain the point and then coasted away to victory in the all-green 50-lap late model feature Saturday night at Elko Speedway.

Reuvers stole second from Steve Anderson on lap 4, then made a high-side pass on leader Jacob Goede to take the top spot. Anderson closed on Goede late but could only follow Goede across the final stripe.

Andy Jirik posted his first Sportsmen feature win by holding off a determined Steve Schultz. Jirik grabbed the lead on the first lap and survived two caution periods to win the 30-lap main.

The Thunder Cars also saw a new feature winner in defending champion Matt Carlander. Carlander took the point after a lap 2 caution and held off Jerry Thomsen for the

Jeff Partington worked his way from the tenth starting spot in the power stocks feature to get around Jeremy Rypkema for second. Five laps latter Partington wrestled the lead from Chad Tuma for the eventual win.

Feature: Donny Reuvers, Dundas; Jacob Goede, New Germany; Steve Anderson, Lakeville, Benny Van Cleve, Prior Lake; Steve Murgic, Rosemount; Jamie Farrell, New Prague; Adam Royle, Farmington; Darrin Giles, Market; Jake Ryan, Farmington; Chad Walen, Prior

SPORTSMEN

Feature: Andy Jirik, Lonsdale. Lake: Shannon Eriksen, Lakeville.

Feature: Matt Carlander,

Delayed Busch Race from NASCAR.com GLADEVILLE, TN, June 12 -- Clint Bowyer raced to his first NASCAR Busch Series victory Sunday, beating Kenny Wallace by 2.386 sec-

Bowyer Wins Rain-

onds in the rain-delayed Federated Auto Parts 300 at Nashville Superspeedway.

The 26-year-old driver became the sixth driver to race to his first Series victory in nine races on the track.

There was a precarious moment on the final lap, with Johnny Benson spinning to bringing out the yellow flag, but Bowyer had already taken the white flag.

Rookie Reed Sorenson, who raced to his first Busch Series victory here in April, finished third to take the Series points lead. Tony Raines was fourth, followed by Martin Truex, Jr.

The field started according to owner points after qualifying was rained out Saturday, putting then-Series leader Carl Edwards on the pole. However, he had to skip the

race to run in the NASCAR Nextel Cup race Sunday at Pocono, PA. By rule. Edwards' back-up, Hank Parker, Jr., started at the end of the field and finished a lap down in 20th place.

Bowyer averaged 122.141 mph in the race that was slowed by eight caution peri-

RESULTS

1-10: Clint Bowyer, Kenny Wallace, Reed Sorenson, Tony Raines, Martin Truex, Jr., David Stremme, Denny Hamlin, J.J. Yeley, Johnny Sauter, Paul Wolfe.

11-20: Jason Keller, Ryan Hemphill, Paul Menard, Ron Hornaday, Regan Smith, Stacy Compton, Boston Reid, Johnny Benson, Tyler Walker, Hank Parker,

21-30: Tim Fedewa, Bobby Hamilton, Bill Elliott, Randy LaJoie, Ashton Lewis, Stanton Barrett, Tim Sauter, A.J. Fike, Justin Labonte, Jeff Fuller.

31-40: Geoffrey Bodine, Jon Wood, David Green, Eric McClure. Derrike Cope, Kertus Davis, Jerry Robertson, Aaron Fike, Steve Grissom, Michel Jourdain, Jr.

41-43: Mark Green, Marc

Mitchell, Brandon Miller

Scheckter Claims IRL Go at Texas; Gregg Wins

FORT WORTH, TX, June 11 -- Tomas Scheckter claimed his first IRL IndyCar Series victory since 2002, beating two-time race winner and Series champion Sam Hornish, Jr., to the checkered flag by 0.0534 of a second - the tenth-closest finish in the Series' ten years - at Texas Motor Speedway on Saturday

Scheckter, who started from the pole, led a race-high 119 laps. He passed defending race winner Tony Kanaan for the lead on lap 191, then held off a late charge from Hornish to claim his first win since he won at Michigan in July 2002. The win was Panther Racing and Chevrolet's first IRL victories since 2003, when Hornish won at California.

Kanaan, Scott Sharp and Helio Castroneves rounded out the top-five. Points leader Dan Wheldon finished sixth, matching his worst finish of the season; leading Series rookie Danica Patrick finished 13th.

Earlier, Travis Gregg claimed his second win of the season by nipping Wade Cunningham for the victory in the IRL Menards Infiniti Pro Series' Firestone 100. Gregg, who leads Cunningham by four points in the Series points standings, won by .0424 of a second - the third closest finish in Pro Series history.

The next IndyCar Series race is on June 25 at the Richmond (VA) International Raceway. The next Pro Series race is on June 18 at the 2.605-mile road course at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

IRL INDYCAR SERIES

1-10: Tomas Scheckter, Sam Hornish, Jr., Tony Kanaan, Scott Sharp, Helio Castroneves, Dan Wheldon, Kosuke Matsuura, Dario Franchitti, Vitor Meira. Bryan Herta.

11-20: Scott Dixon, Hyan Briscoe. Danica Patrick, Alex Barron, Roger Yasukawa, Patrick Carpentier, Darren Manning, A.J. Foyt IV.

Tomas Enge, Ed Carpenter. 21-22: Buddy Rice, Jimmy Kite. IRL MENARDS INFINITI PRO

1-10: Travis Gregg, Wade Cunningham, Chris Festa, Jay Drake, Nick Bussell, Marry Roth, Joh Herb, Jeff Simmons, Jaime Camara, Arie Luyendyk, Jr.

11: P.J. Abbott.

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Scrapin' the Wall



Well, it's about time for me to share my feelings on some issues going around in the racing world. These opinions are my own and they don't represent anyone I work for. I will warn you, one time I was working on an online personals ad and was answering a bunch of questions. The computer reviewed my answers and told me that I am an "idealist," which I found defined as, "one who opens the world to new possibilities."

The definition went on to say that "an idealist's life mission is to make the world a better place; he cares about big ideas and issues as well as the lives of people around him. In many ways, idealists make perfect friends and co-workers who inspire others to pursue their dreams."

So, now that you have been given all of the disclaimers, here

Why are we arguing on Internet message boards about head-and-neck restraints and whether or not the tracks should enforce them? C'mon drivers, use your heads ... literally. Especially the brains inside of them. One driver told me that it's a racer's "bull-headed" attitude, that they don't want to be told they have to do something, that keeps them from doing things. Another person responded that more research needs to be done, and that all of this "mandate" talk is due to the hysteria and "bandwagon" that everyone got on since Earnhardt's death, and that the bottom line is that it's the driver who should choose.

Okay, so more research needs to be done. Apparently some folks think that when NASCAR decided that the Hutchens device was not safe enough to have in their series, that decision must not have been based on research. Wrong. It was research that forced them to make the decision.

But sometimes it takes a sad situation to open up everyone's eyes to a problem. It's human nature to learn what we can from mistakes, then apply what we have learned and go forward in the hope that something bad that which rarely happens does not happen again.

To the point that the drivers should choose, you can say "yes" or "no" to that. But tracks and series officials have a

responsibility to put on a safe racing program for everyone involved, including drivers, pit crews, officials and fans. If a track owner or series director feels that safety can be increased by the drivers' use of head-and-neck restraints, then they should have every right to either mandate or strongly suggest it. In other words, they are looking out for drivers to be safe. Drivers have a choice in what head-and-neck device they can to use, but as consumers they should do the research and look at the ones that give the best safety results.

Doesn't this sound like the same argument that individual states have used to mandate seatbelt laws? Drivers were yelling into the TV cameras, "I'm an American - I can choose to wear it or not! The government can't tell me what to do!" Then they take off on their motorcycle without wearing a helmet.

The reason that states started to mandate seatbelt use was because research results show that seatbelts save lives. It may not save all lives, but it certainly reduces the numbers of lives lost. Research on head-and-neck restraints have shown that these devices can also reduce the trauma that a person's head and neck experiences in a solid collision. For statistical information, I would recommend talking to Greg and Lorna Folk; both are very educated on this topic, and they have testing data and videos to show how these devices can help in case of an accident on a race track.

It's common sense. If there is a safety product out there, and research shows that it will work, by all means, drivers, seriously consider it. Oh, and I don't want to hear you complain about the cost of these devices either. For some reason, you don't flinch much at the cost of putting a faster car together or having a more powerful motor built. So, in the issue of safety, cost shouldn't be overlooked, either.

Remember this: a HANS device is probably the most expensive item out there, but, it's still probably cheaper than a hospital bill or - dare I say this - a funeral.

And while I am on the topic of safety, I want to applaud the safety crews that work at tracks. These people do what they can to help the drivers when they get in an accident, but sometimes they scare me. I will say this to race track owners: please do not discount these employees. Make every effort to see that they have proper safety attire, safety equipment and safety training, so that they can help drivers out of their cars in a safe

Kevin Ramsell

and protected manner. To track safety people: please be attentive to what is going on. Listen to your race directors and personnel, and be aware of what is going on. The drivers are relying on you to help them if they get in a bad situation.

I love this sport and I want to continue to see it thrive - especially on the local level. At the same time, I want everyone to feel safe and enjoy this sport. But we all must use some common sense when it comes to safety - from parents making their kids wear bike helmets when they are riding; to passengers wearing seatbelts in cars. They are all preventive measures to avoid serious injury. In the sport of racing, those preventive safety measures should be looked upon more seriously before slipping into a race car.

Sure, drivers, you can tell me it's your life and you can do what you want, but when you're at a racetrack and track promoters and officials are allowing you to participate in their racing events, you need to follow their rules or heed to their strong suggestions, because they can just as easily not allow you on the track

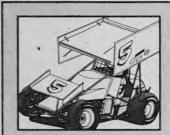
And finally, folks, remember this: accidents do occur. Some fans think they are cool to see, and others understand the discouragement drivers and crews experience while putting the car back together. But when a serious accident occurs, our goal should be for every fan who witnessed the wreck to later say, "It was the worst wreck I have ever seen, but you know what? The driver walked away."

Please, drivers, just use some common sense. Thanks.

One other quick thought: I am really looking forward to meeting Randy LaJoie on Tuesday, June 21, at Wisconsin International Raceway. Randy is not only coming up to participate in the Factory Motor Parts/AC-Delco All-Star Challenge, but his main reason to show Wisconsin late model drivers his new, innovative driver's race seats. A lot of top NASCAR drivers in every division, as well as some of our local drivers, have already purchased his seats. LaJoie will have his hauler parked in the infield for drivers interested on more information, and you can find out more at his website, http://www.joieofseat.com/. The Wisconsin Challenge Series-sanctioned event, promoted by RK Race Promotions, will also have Matt Kenseth and Carl Edwards competing. Qualifying is at 4 pm, with racing at 7.

Have a safe and enjoyable time at the track!

The Infield



Following the World of Outlaws show at the Sheboygan County Fair Park on Saturday, June 11, a lot of people had to re-write their ideas and beliefs about the series and what it's about. A short disclaimer here, if you will: my intent for this column is simply a means to show both sides of those involved

with the events surrounding the actions taken in, what turned out to be a night that will be remembered by many as one of "strange Circumstances."

Entering the pit area, you got a feeling that, despite the "extras" (transponders, race-ciever communication devices, etc.), the teams were, in fact, comfortable. The WoO were eager to get back to work after taking a night off after their stop at I-96, and the locals (90 percent IRA regulars, and the rest made up of traveling teams and 360 specialists stepped up with 410s in the engine compartment) helped to bring the total to 49 teams competing.

Track preparation was proceeding well. While there were minor issues, mostly dealing with logistics for a show of this size, most concerns were taken care of with a phone call to those who could get the job done. All was ready by 4 pm, and everything was looking bright. By 5 pm, however, it was a different story.

Gone was the sun, replaced by a dark cloud bank laden with heavy rain. Doppler radar stole everyone's focus, showing a brief band working its way to the track, and it did hit. What that radar couldn't show was just how much water was to drench the speedway surface. It came, it fell, and it made its presence known. The track, which not 15 minutes prior was nearly ready to accept a pounding, was now an oval mudbog.

A decision had to be made: scrap the show and come back on Sunday to try again, or give the track prep crew a chance to recover the surface and see where that lead. The latter decision was made, and they went to work. Amidst all this was the nervousness of the promoters faced with a potential no-win situation, the anxiousness of fans (many of whom had traveled a good distance), and the 49 teams in the pits simply waiting for an answer.

By 7:30 motors began to spring to life in the pits, much to the

Superior Suffers Third Rainout of '05

SUPERIOR, WI, June 10 -- Superior Speedway officials were forced to cancel the racing program on Friday due to wet grounds from heavy rains earlier in the day.

The next event at the Speedway is the first visit by the World Dirt Racing League on Thursday, June 16.

MHR Rained Out

UNITY, WI, June 10 -- Monster Hall Raceway cancelled its race program for Friday due to heavy rain.

On Friday, June 17, motorcycle racing will be part of the evening, in addition to the regular race program.

Seepage Halts Fergus Falls Action

FERGUS FALLS, MN, June 10 -- Recent rains have resulted in extensive seepage on the backstretch at the Fergus Falls Raceway, forcing track officials to cancel the races scheduled for Friday.

joy of the crowd who had waited out the storm. A still super-soft surface would necessitate a second go-'round of hot laps, and as the clock neared 9 pm another decision was needed: as before, come back tomorrow, or make some concessions in the order of the show to get it in by the 11 pm curfew. After enough politicking to make a Washington Congressman proud, it was decided to scrap qualifying in favor of a passing-points system and declare the event a "show-points only" one. Press on they did, knowing that the next two hours would be some of the most furious work teams had endured in a very long time. Another decision was made to scrap the dashes and juggle the draw to compensate; concessions and more politicking followed.

With heat races pushing off at about 9:15, all five heats were run off with the efficiency of an M-60 machine gun. There was a distinct feeling spreading throughout the pits now that this could work. After a few short minutes the B-main was ready to go, and those feeling the most heat were the teams that had literally just pulled off the track from the fifth heat race. As points were tabulated, word went out to those that needed to be in the "B" to make it quick, and quick they did. Amazingly, the B-main was completed before 10:30, and after a very short moment to allow the four teams that just transferred to throw some fuel into the tanks and make a quick check of their cars, drivers were staging for the A-main.

As the A-main pushed off, another decision to discard the four-abreast salute didn't set well, but it was understood. With just-under a half-hour to curfew, the A-main took the green flag. Danny Lasoski stopped things momentarily when he developed mag problems, but the green flew again with at just over 20 minutes until 11 pm.

The race progressed into a serious battle between Joey Saldana and a charging Steve Kinser for second, until lap 23, when Saldana entered turn 4 and slid sideways to a stop. Accompanying him was Kinser, who stayed on the gas and kept his spot, but Saldana was sent to the rear - again, a decision not received well by the fans. It might be worth mentioning here that the rules governing spins between the WoO and IRA are very different. With transponders attached to the cars, the spins are a little more forgiving, and as long as a car can continue under its own power it is not penalized. Under IRA rules (of which most of the upset fans were more familiar), a 360 spin that impedes another car's momentum results in that car being sent to the rear. Different sanctions, different rules. I can live with that.

Tim Keading led the field to the cone, and "King" Kinser eventually got by Keading. But with two laps to go the leaders worked slower traffic through turns 1 and 2, and Keading struck back, getting by Kinser for the white flag. On the final lap Kinser pulled out all the stops, but Keading held off the King, much to the approval of a now-satisfied crowd.

In victory lane, you would have thought Keading had just won the Knoxville Nationals. "That doesn't happen very often," a jubilant Keading said of his pass of Kinser. "I can't believe it."

After an evening of emotion, stress and work, teams were thoroughly exhausted, and their own decisions to leave left many fans walking around asking, "Where was so-and-so parked?" My only response was, "Well, over there is Brooke Tatnell, and the winner is parked over there, and Craig Dollansky is right there ..." What was I supposed to say? Seemed funny that even those who didn't make the cut for the B-main were still sitting and waiting to greet fans and well-wishers.

Saying our goodbyes to friends that we will not see for another few weeks, Amanda and I loaded up and headed for Chicago to meet our niece from Pennsylvania, who has decided to spend the summer in Wisconsin.

On a personal note, I am in no way going to represent myself as a public relations expert, nor do I even claim to know why, but all but a few of the traveling teams opted to leave the track before the dust had even settled. What I do know is the questions I fielded in the pit area from fans who were trying to

Paul Pittman

explain to their kids why the guys they watch on TV and came to see and get an autograph from were already packed up and gone. Fans paid good money to see a nationally-touring series that is billed as "fan-friendly" in a sport that prides itself on fan interaction. Promoters and the series itself did everything humanly possible to successfully complete the show, and they should be commended. It is however a shame that the same could not be said for the overall support of the series' competitors. Yeah, I know they were tired, but it's also part of their job. Lest we forget, it's the fans that ultimately cover the costs that will determine if the series will survive.

For the record, these are my own views, and while I realize they will not set well with some or most of the powers-to-be, I am also a fan of the sport. Have been and will continue to be, as long as I see a kid walking in the pit area looking for an interview with a hero. All I am saying is, remember this, guys, the next time you get upset when asked to go a little extra distance. My email address is posted below; don't be afraid to fire back. Enough said.

Notes and news from the Infield: Dave Uttech was back in action after what was thought to be a critical blow to the team last week at Butler. Those who were listening heard me describe Dave's fireball in the A-main and the possibility that the powerplant had gone south. In talking to Dave before the Plymouth show, I found out that that the plug to the dry sump system had actually backed out, which explained the fluid on the track just prior. Dave also said that the engine even had oil pressure while on fire, and that a post-race inspection showed minimal damage. "We got real lucky," smiled Dave.

Two drivers bouncing back are Kim Mock and John Haeni. Haeni's situation involves a suspect motor that was damaged at Dodge County Fairgrounds, but the motor has been inspected and returned to service. "We feel we're going in the right direction now," smiled Haeni after the WoO A-main. "The problem we have is that the cupboards are bare now. We don't like being in this situation, so we're going to take it as it comes and just focus on things one thing at a time with specific goals." The team's goals for next weekend at Cedar Lake? A solid top-five, unless a victory is in sight - and then they will be fighting for it!

Mock's team has been struggling the past few weeks with set-up problems after a very strong start to the season. "We think we found the problem," stated crew chief Chad Persha, "and are taking steps and doing whatever we have to in order to get back to the front." In a post-race conversation Mock, although concerned that he may have actually played a spoiler in the final outcome of the feature, was still upbeat about the car's handling and performance. "I feel real bad about what happened out there with Steve (Kinser) and wish that I had not been there. If he would have shown me a wheel earlier, I would have gotten off the gas and let them go on by and race. I just didn't know he was there and was trying to hold my line."

Wayne Modjeski's confidence is continuing to build as well. A good finish at Butler gave the team a little momentum going into the Plymouth show. That is apparently just what the doctor ordered, as Wayne made the A-main on points and posted a respectable finish against "the best in the country" (Joe Roe's summary). We'll watch and see if the team can continue to ride that head of steam and keep moving forward.

Well, that will just about do it for me this weekend. I do want to extend a thank-you to all the teams that did stick around despite the late hour and say hi to the fans that waited so patiently. Brooke, enjoy the apple pie, and to Guy Forbrook, there will be some on your next visit. Next weekend is another huge weekend of racing involving the IRA sprinters, at Cedar Lake's "Masters." The IRA will run full programs on both nights, except for no qualifying on Saturday, while joining the late models. After that, the IRA follows up with trips to the Superior Speedway on June 24 and to the Deer Creek Speedway on the 25. As promised above, the e-mail to send "your side of the story" to is <arppix@arppix.com>. Now, if you will excuse me, I am going to visit with my niece and prepare for the fallout of my opinions.

Notes & Nostalgia



Here's part two of the column I started in last week's issue:

The overwhelming story of the 1955 Indy 500 was Vukovich. After the 1954 race Howard Keck, Vuky's reclusive and enigmatic car owner, decided he wanted to run a streamliner with a supercharged engine. Coon and Travers started to work on the body and chassis with the superb craftsman Quinn Epperly. Keck wanted to purchase one

of Lew Welch's famous supercharged Novi engines, but Welch refused. Coon and Travers then commissioned master engine designer Leo Goosen, of Meyer-Drake, to build a new 183-cubic-inch supercharged V-8. As May neared, it became apparent that neither streamliner nor engine would be ready in time.

Unwilling to run a conventional car, Keck released the "Whiz Kids" and Vukovich. There are conflicting stories about what happened next. Some sources say that the Whiz Kids then signed on with Lindsey Hopkins and took Vukovich along with them. Other sources say that Vukovich enlisted retired 1950 champion Henry Banks to lobby for the Hopkins ride. Whatever, the Whiz Kids, former McGrath mechanic Jack Beckley and Vukovich all signed on with Hopkins.

Hopkins owned a year-old Kurtis 500-C, which had been driven in 1954 by rookie Pat O'Connor. The Whiz Kids started to apply their magic touch to the Hopkins roadster.

Keck's enthusiasm waned after Vukovich's death. Coon, Travers and Epperly completed the streamliner, but the V-8 engine project was abandoned. The streamliner was fitted with a regular four-cylinder Offy. Speedway president Tony Hulman so badly wanted the streamliner in the 1956 race that he paid the entry fee. We thought this might have been a fairy tale, but the entry list for the 1956 race shows an unnamed car entered by one Walter J. Travers.

One day, with no preamble, Keck's secretary called the Whiz Kids and told them that Keck was no longer in racing. The beautiful car remained in Keck's shops until 1985, when it was then sold to a Memphis businessman, who had it restored by Jim Robbins. In 1990, *Open Wheel* magazine did an article on it, complete with pictures. Before that, the car had achieved myth status. It was rumored to exist but few had seen it, and there were no photos.

In its 1990 resurrection it was painted a bright red, numbered 4, and looked very similar to the 1955 Sumar Streamliner or the 1954 Mercedes-Benz streamliner which now sits in Indy's museum. Its tail sported a very small adjustable wing. Coon and Travers, wizards at the old midget art of weight jacking, thought that the wing would enhance their weight-jacking efforts. Despite its never having turned a lap in any kind of competition, *Open Wheel* reported that it was worth \$2.1 million.

After a serious accident in the 1954 Mexican road race left Vuky with some serious back problems, his pre-race demeanor during May had been moody and hesitant. Where previously he had practiced little, he now drove the blue Hopkins beauty for endless practice laps. He qualified third-fastest, but due to Indy's enigmatic qualifying procedures started fifth. McGrath

qualified nearly two miles per hour faster - a tremendous difference in those days. It was widely rumored that McGrath had liberally peppered his car's methanol with nitromethane. The press, probably tired of writing Vukovich stories, had made McGrath the favorite to derail Vuky's bid for three in a row.

Race day dawned cool and cloudy. Rookie driver and friend Ed Elisian asked Vukovich if there would be "steak and whiskey" tonight. Vuky advised Elisian to take it easy and "... never turn right at the Brickyard. That's when they take you home in a box." In those unsafe days, Vuky dressed only in bowling shoes, tan duck pants and a white T-shirt with "Mobil" stenciled on the back. Later, he would don golf gloves, goggles and a white Cromwell-style helmet.

While donning the gloves, he entertained his crew with a parody of the other drivers donning their gloves. He contemptuously remarked that he had to get scared. When engine wizard Herb Porter had joked with him to hurry back because they had a refrigerator full of cold beer, Vuky had asked Porter if an hour and a half suited him. Ironically, the caution for Vuky's wreck came on at 11:03, and that caution lasted 27 minutes.

Before he climbed into his car he asked his crew what lap they wanted him to catch McGrath on. They were shocked. They tried to calm him down. They all knew that McGrath was using nitro and would be difficult to out-run. They were pinning their hopes on McGrath blowing his highly-stressed engine. Vuky was having none of that. According to the still unpublished book written by Angelo Angelopoulos, Vuky then said, "Listen, the son of (bleep) doesn't like to be run close to, and I'm going to run close to him." Vukovich lived up to his words in the early part of the race.

McGrath's number 3 led the first three laps; Vuky's number 4 then took over and led through lap 14. McGrath led lap 15, but Vuky was back in front on sixteen. There are photos of Vuky going nearly into the infield grass to pass McGrath. After the race, McGrath said, "If he wanted the lead that bad, he could have it." The pair distanced themselves from the field. McGrath's car started smoking, but he passed Vuky again and led laps 25 and 26. Vuky re-took the lead on lap 27, setting the fastest lap of the race at 141.354 mph; he had qualified at only 141.071.

Then, in the words of the eloquent Russ Catlin, "... this time, as he fairly flew down the stretch with McGrath at his heels, the colorful Californian raised his hand in a salute to his pit. Twice before, in the past two years, I had seen Vukovich so salute his pit. Each time the gesture meant, 'The battle is over. I'm in command now, so chart me a speed and a course and I'll see you in victory lane." But Fate intervened.

With McGrath dropping out after his 53rd lap, Vukovich now had a 30-plus-second lead over Bryan. Vuky had led 50 of the first 56 laps and was entering the backstretch on his 57th. The lapped car of Rodger Ward, ahead of Vuky on the track, broke an axle, spun and overturned. Ward's car, now named the Aristo Blue Special, was the former Agajanian 98 driven to victory by Troy Ruttman in 1952, when Vuky's steering failed eight laps from the finish. It would now play a significant role in stopping another Vukovich victory. A single-car spin can usually be avoided quite easily, but in between Ward and Vukovich were

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the lapped cars of Al Keller and Johnny Boyd

Then, in the version according to Johnny Boyd, came the wreck of the blue Hopkins Special - assisted by Al Keller. Keller, in a Kurtis Kraft 2000 that had carried Rex Mays to his death in Del Mar, had been driving the white line rather than looking far down the track. Boyd was slightly ahead of Vukovich. Boyd thought there was plenty of room on both the inside and outside of Ward. Both Vukovich and Boyd decided to go for the opening on the inside of the track. Keller decided to spin out; he didn't do it right. As Boyd, and no doubt Vukovich, watched incredulously, Keller spun into the small wooden inside guard rail and then bounced back onto the track and into Boyd. Boyd's car was then pushed into Vukovich's. Tire marks and photos published in the June 13 issue of *Life* magazine showed Vuky, against his own advice to Elisian, made a last-ditch attempt to turn right. It wasn't enough.

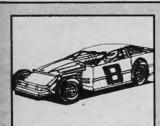
Vuky hit Boyd and went airborne over the small wooden outside guardrail. Later studies of photos indicated that one of Vuky's tires clipped the guardrail, causing what happened next. The Hopkins Special went crazily end over end several hundred yards down the outside of the track, grazing parked cars and a utility pole. In the three movies available, Vuky's car seems to assume a personality of its own during the wreck: the car acted as if it was angry with him. It acted like a street fighter repeatedly kicking a downed opponent. Just when it seemed that it would finally settle, it bounced up a few more times, always beating the hapless driver. It came to rest upside down and on fire.

Catlin, unable to see anything on the backstretch from his post in the press box, remembers seeing a small amount of white smoke. After counting cars coming past the pits and noting Vukovich missing, Catlin wrote that, "Then you thought - thought a lot and prayed a little, and you looked at that white cloud, and you knew."

Confusion reigned. Vuky and Boyd's friend, Ed Elisian, was reported as being a part of the wreck. He wasn't. What happened was that Elisian was travelling behind and witnessed the accident. Elisian brought his car to a stop in the infield and then headed toward the burning Vukovich car, but he was restrained. Boyd pounded Keller on his chest and called him a few choice names. Keller kept asking, "What did I do?" Ward and Boyd suffered minor injuries, Elisian was sedated, Keller was uninjured and Vukovich was dead.

Vuky had been well-liked by his crew. In an interview years later, Jim Travers indicated that it was a real blow for the crew to have Vuky crash in a car that they had tended to with so much care. After they had all worked so hard, the unfair results were a guy they really-cared for in the cemetery and their beloved car a pile of junk. Photos taken of the wrecked Hopkins show that Travers was not exaggerating. But those roadsters were tough birds. Frank Kurtis rebuilt the Hopkins Special for the 1956 race. Jim Rathmann qualified it in the middle of the first row; then, in the race itself, the spirit of Bill Vukovich hovered above it for a short while. Like a magnificent blue-and-red phoenix, it arose from its own ashes and led the first lap.

Reichert's Ramblings



On Monday, June 6, the 26th annual Gopher 50 late model race was held, after dealing with a huge amount of change. After many years of running at the Steele County Fairgrounds in Owatonna, MN, this year the race was moved to the Deer Creek Speedway near Spring Valley, after a dispute

between race organizers and the County fair board. The Queensland family, owners of Deer Creek, took over as primary promoters of the race, with the Blooming Prairie Jaycees and race organizers Jerry Ingvalson and Ron Nelson taking on lesser roles in event management. In fact, the Lions Club of Blooming Prairie replaced the Jaycees as the non-profit group benefiting from the proceeds of the event.

After running under various different sanctioning bodies, and even running non-sanctioned, in past years, this year for the first time the event was run under the World of Outlaws Late Model Series. Hence the date of the race was changed and, also for the first time, TV cameras were poised to provide a replay of the race later this summer.

The Gopher 50 has in past years been a mid-July event, with momentum built up to it over the course of the summer. By running on the first Monday in June, with the heart of the racing season just starting and school still in session for many kids, the race just came a little early for me to get as fired up about as in previous years. Also, love it or not, the Steele County Fairgrounds has a special atmosphere about it that separates it from most other race tracks. There was always a special feeling about the Gopher 50 under the big grandstand roof at Owatonna, and I didn't get that special feeling at Deer Creek; it

Just felt like another special.

That being said, there are innumerable reasons why the Gopher 50 was a better event at Deer Creek than it ever was at Owatonna. For one thing, Deer Creek is a real race track that provides for side-by-side racing and actual passing, while Owatonna was a flat horse track that, even after it was reconfigured several years ago, was more often than not a one-lane, non-passable, dirty old horse track. So while there will be some things that I will miss about Owatonna, the bottom line is that it will be a much better race at Deer Creek. I feel comfortable giving some opinion on this, since I have now attended all 26 Gopher 50s.

Whether or not the World of Outlaws is the best sanctioning group to have for this event remains an open question. Obviously they are a much more expensive group to bring in as opposed to other sanctioning bodies, and it didn't really provide that many more cars than would have been in attendance anyway. Surveys repeatedly showed that the two drivers fans wanted to see at the Gopher were Billy Moyer and Scott Bloomquist. I think Moyer would have there no matter who was sanctioning the race, while Bloomquist, a contracted driver for the Outlaws, failed to show. By the way, where were John Vandenberg, Shannon Babb and Darren Miller tonight?

If it were not for local participation, the field of cars would have been a small one no matter what. There were 17 WISSOTA drivers on hand with their small spec engines, but without them the count would have had less than 30 cars, and fans would have been crying the blues. Another good thing about Deer Creek is that the small-motored cars have a better chance on the short, slick track as opposed to the monster that is Owatonna. Five WISSOTA-legal cars made the feature and took the \$700 start money gratefully.

Joel Cryderman explained that he was just going to run his WISSOTA stuff, and if he made the feature the money more than made the effort pay off. If not, it was a good chance for him to test his new car on a slick track.

A few WISSOTA drivers switched over to big motors, like Mark Teske and Justin Fegers, while Trent Follmer, John Kaanta and Keith Foss were using second cars. Kaanta debuted a brand new car and probably guaranteed himself a spot on TV after a spectacular engine fire during his B-feature.

Teske said he has a second car nearly completed, but he just hasn't had the time to finish it due to his extensive farming commitment this time of year. In fact, he's been using his open-competition car with his WISSOTA motor in it weekly at Deer Creek, which has been about the only racing he's done recent-

Kerry Hansen tipped that he's about two weeks away from having a WISSOTA car ready, as he plans to run WISSOTA specials when he isn't traveling to open shows. It seems that life on the road gets old after a while, and he is looking to run more regional races and keep his skills sharp for the big shows

While Darrell Lanigan pretty much had the field covered for the entire race Monday night, there was a lot of other battling for position, especially from fifth to tenth. Both Jimmy Mars and Follmer made nice drives through the field by using multiple lines. I would have guessed, based on previous races I've seen at Deer Creek this year, that the track would have locked down, and I would have guessed wrong.

Twenty of the original 24 starters were still on the track at the finish, and there were only two yellow flags during the event, both of which made for a very interesting race. While it may not have been a classic, it sure beat the heck out of anything I can recall at Owatonna in recent years.

Seventeen-year-old Josh Richards continues to amaze with his mature driving talent. The son of chassis builder Mark Richards, this youngster appears to have unlimited talent and will surely be a star in the future, depending on which way he decides to go with his racing career.

It was good to see Ace Ihm back on the track after his terrible crash a couple of weeks ago at Farley, IA. Ace has received some help from Mike Seubert in the form of a loaner

Thirty modifieds were also on hand for their \$1,000-to-win show. They drove ruthlessly all night, using many slide-jobs and other questionable tactics, and there was plenty of ill will in their pit area after the event. But no one can doubt that their

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feature was a thriller, as the cushion was pushed higher and higher and cars bounced off the walls with regularity.

WISSOTA driver Steve Arpin led all the way for the win. With limited experience on American Racer tires, he came into this hotbed of USRA racing and whipped the locals on their own turf. He was very excited after the event, and well he should have been, as it was both a physically and mentally grueling event. At every corner Jason Krohn threw a slider at him, and it had to have been distracting seeing that other car come flying up on him. One small error would have put Steve into the wall and Krohn would have been past him, but Steve drove a flaw-less race to get the win. He certainly is one of the most exciting drivers in all of WISSOTA, and now others are familiar with his aggressive driving style.

I ran into Allan Brown of the *National Speedway Directory* tonight, who was working his way back toward his home base in Michigan. Allan runs a schedule that makes my little racing adventures look mild by comparison.

The crowd Monday was absolutely huge on a perfect night for racing. The facility was strained to its limits, but everything seemed to work smoothly and no big glitches were noted. Even with the monster crowd, I was able to walk out to my car afterward and drive right out of the parking lot with no problem at all. My guess is that, if there was any question before Monday night, the Gopher 50 has now found a home for many years to come.

Crawley Wins ASCS Speedweek Finale at I-30

LITTLE ROCK, AR, June 11 -- The 13th annual American Sprint Car Series Speedweek came to a spectacular conclusion at I-30 Speedway Saturday night, with Tim Crawley beating Roger Crockett and Gary Wright to the checkered flag.

While Crawley raced under the flag ahead of Crockett and Wright after a sizzling final ten laps to become the only repeat winner over the course of the seven-event Speedweek, fourth-place finisher Darren Stewart captured the Speedweek crown by two points over Wright.

Crawley's 12th career ASCS Speedweek win and 36th overall ASCS National triumph came a night after racing from 17th to victory lane at Texarkana. Crockett outgunned Kevin Ramey for the point at the outset, with fifth-starter Mike Ward racing into second. But Ward tripped over the cushion on lap 2 and tumbled over the embankment. Crockett on the restart as Ramey regained second from Rains on lap 3.

RESULTS

ASCS SPRINTS

Heat 1: Toby Brown, Nick Smith, Mike Ward.

Heat 2: Roger Crockett, Josh Howard, Marshall Skinner

Heat 3: Kevin Ramey, Dustin Lindquist, Tim Crawley. Heat 4: Darren Stewart, A.G. Rains, Jimmy Taylor.

B Feature: Bryce Vowan, Tony Bruce, Jr., Foster Landon.
A Feature: Crawley, Crockett, Gary Wright, Stewart, Brown, Smith,

Ramey, Skinner, Rains, Landon

Round & Around



After the frustration of Saturday's rain landing at various race venues, we were among the vast viewing crowd at home hoping to watch racing on TV. That, too, became frustrating when the decision to keep trying for a live race broadcast went too many hours. Finally, after midnight, I saw that the next televised effort would be the following evening, so I went to bed with no races at all.

Sunday more than made up for the loss, with mostly sunny skies and temps near 90 degrees. What a difference a few weeks makes here - not that long ago we were freezing, and now we are rediscovering our short-sleeved clothes that were buried for so long.

Slinger Speedway was hosting another visit from the limited late models. Florida residents now, John and Sue McKarns paid a visit as well, on a northern tour before returning home. Most folks will remember them from their traveling ARTGO Series, which is now the Midwest group in NASCAR's Touring Series. It's been a long time since we had gotten together, since the past year was quite a challenge for the four of us with health issues. We squeezed our reunion into the few hours that it took for the race program, which ended around ten instead of the usual 9:30 due to some 140 entries Sunday night.

It was quite a treat to see Tommy Hromadka and Race McComb race into the late model feature via the semi, and Scott Schoeni make the field on his qualifying time. This week's main event was 75 circuits, slowed by two cautions early that each sent a pair of top-running racers to the rear of the field. Andrew Morrissey didn't wait too long before taking over from Rich Loch, maintaining the lead position to the final flag. Whether it was confidence or car, this put Morrissey into win-

ner's circle twice in three days, having also won on Friday at the Madison oval. "We got off to a rough start this year," declared the young winner, not minding the way this weekend has ended

Many of us were keeping an eye on Brad Mueller's progress during the contest, coming from the fifth row to runner-up. Another former track champion, Lowell Bennett, made even more progress by the end by improving his fate by ten positions another top-five finish. A look at the point standings show it's no coincidence that champions top the list.

The mod field numbered over a dozen due to the addition of dirt racers such as Bill Tandetzke and Eddie Bentfield. It seems so long ago when we were among the many who raced dirt and asphalt with the same car - now a rarity for anyone to even try. On a night that saw several spins on the hot, slippery track surface, the 30-lap feature went from green flag to checkered without a slowdown. Pole leader Roger Schmid was overtaken by Bentfield, who was passed by Steve Huelsbeck, and finally defending champion Dale Prunty took charge to the end. With such a tightly-matched field every week and the random inversion, it isn't easy to come through the field, making victory twice as nice.

The sportsman class had a full field start off their 30-lap contest with a do-over when at least seven mounts were caught in a tangle at the start. Another yellow flag came out before the halfway point, by which time James Swan had found the top spot to his liking. At the end the cream had risen to the top, as defending champ Gary Lamonte came from the back to runner-up and quick-timer Pat McIntee followed with Brad Keith on his backs.

It was great to see veteran Jim Shambeau here with his vast family to watch sons Scott and Jay race. The 72-year-old began racing in 1962, forced to retire when his home track of Hales Corners closed a couple years ago. Yet the senior

Fay Hendricks

Shambeau still has the equipment and desire to compete, still looking for a place where his low-buck machine would be legal. His sons and I are trying to discourage him from joining the figure-8 field, however.

The limited late models, on their second visit of the year, always bring along an enthusiastic following. This time it was Michigan's Kris Kelly who topped the feature, as local favorites could only get close. Three slowdowns and the early retirement of half a dozen cars left 15 seeing the checkered flag. Chris Ratajczyk, part of Slinger's late model field for years, joined this division to have fun again. The second-generation racer was joined by other familiar racing family names like Jarlsberg, Wendt and Nottestad.

The thunder stock feature rolled to conclusion without one caution, as Mark Kissinger was never to be thwarted. This contest is only a dozen circuits, yet the 17 drivers kept safe to the end. The Slinger Bees always provide an amusing series of spins and saves, as the amateur drivers somehow find their way around the high banks of Slinger. It's always an amazement to your scribe that they are able to complete their events despite the huge fields and short track time.

There were rides in Slinger's two-seat car, a bunch racing in the speedway guest cars, and the weekly street eliminations before the final race event of the night. Most of the audience stayed for the figure-8 contest, hoping for a bit of mayhem before the end. But Donald Van Camp took the checkered flag after only a few near-misses, and the crowd seemed satisfied.

Hopefully we will make it back here next Sunday after our three-day race adventure at Cedar Lake Speedway for another edition of The Masters. Just being able to make a road trip is something in itself, as my husband's recovery from bypass surgery slowly allows us to get some semblance of normalcy. One day at a time.

Broadsliding the Speedways



Another action-packed program of midget auto racing was presented Thursday at the Indianapolis Speedrome on June 9. The program opened with the running of the June 2 rain-postponed USAC Ford Focus Midget Series feature, which was won by Andy Baber for his first feature win. He was fol-

lowed by Rex Norris III, Jamie Williams, Joshua Clemons and Ricky Ehrgott.

The regular Focus midget feature was won by Clemons for his second win of the season. He was trailed by Norris, Baber, Williams and Ehrgott.

Winning the 50-lap USAC regional feature was Adam Nuetzel for his first win of the season, followed by Brad Kuhn, Norris, Nick Bohanon and veteran Mel Kenyon. Lap leaders were Lee Stark from one to 15 and Nuetzel from 16-50.

Well-mannered 16-year-old sprint car driver Cameron Dodson of Memphis, TN, who now resides in Greenfield, IN, tried his hand at midget racing at the tricky Speedrome but dropped out of the feature on the first lap with mechanical problems.

The 50-lap USAC Kenyon Midget Series feature went to another first-time winner this season, Thomas Hennigan, over Jonathan Hendrick and Brent Beauchamp. Winning heats were Cap Henry and Hennigan.

Fast qualifier Dave Steele of Tampa, FL, won the USAC Sprint Car Series feature at IRP on June 9. He was followed at the checkers by Bobby Santos III, Bobby East, Josh Wise and young Kyle Nicholas. Steele led all but the first two laps. Scoring heat wins were Ron Gregory, Aaron Pierce, Jay Drake and Marc Jessup. The semi went to Dave Darland, who led the first two laps of the feature.

Terry Goff of Fortville, IN, won the UMRA TQ feature at the Montpelier (IN) Speedway on June 4, after a battle with Jason Willis. Rounding out the top ten were Pat Wolf, Ron Combs, Wayne Harpring, Will Nedderman, Bobby Walton, Chad Hankins, Jeremy Rainwater and Mark Frazier. Surprise entrant Nelson Stewart, father of NASCAR star Tony, placed eleventh.

The UMRA will see action at the Rush County Fairgrounds in Rushville, IN, on June 18 and June 24-25, at the Shelby County Fairgrounds in Shelbyville, IN, on June 30, and back at Rushville on July 4.

Down Memory Lane: The American Race Drivers Association held its very first race at the Cedarhurst, Long Island, Speedway on Wednesday, May 15, 1940. The race was won by Bill Schindler, the president of the newly-formed midget association.

My records show the ARDC conducted 77 meets during its initial season, with Schindler winning 26 features and placing second ten times and third seven times to become the group's first champion. Ted Tappett won 18 features, had 14 second-place showings and twice finished third for second in the final standings. My records also show Ernie Gesell third in points with nine wins, while Bill Holmes was fourth, followed by George Rice, Len Duncan, Mike Joseph, Dutch Schaefer, Len Golen, Bub Walker, Harry Felton, Pop DeVercelly and Bill Baker.

During the Labor Day weekend in 1967, the ARDC conducted seven features at four different speedways, and Schaefer won five of them - two at Hershey, PA, two at Owego, NY, and one at Belmar, NJ. The other two were won by Tom McAndrew, at Flemington, NJ, and Duncan, at Essex Junction, VT.

At the Kokomo (IN) Speedway in 1949, promoters John Rose and Bert Miller presented 14 midget programs sanctioned by the AAA. Frank Burany won five features, while three were won by George Tichenor. Single feature wins went to Ralph

Crocky Wright

Pratt, Gordon Reid, Sam Hanks, Johnnie Parsons and Ronnie Householder.

In 1949, at the Milwaukee (WI) State Fair half-mile midget track, Neil Carter won three features, as did Burany. Winning twice was Pratt, and single wins were posted by Tony Bettenhausen and the season's track champion Reid.

Dick Word drove the Shorty Burns number 93 to the track championship in the St. Louis Racing Association midget club in 1949, followed by Ned Shoemaker, Vito Calia, Chuck Weyant, Harry Ross, Elmer Noeth, Bob Slater, Mel Wainwright, Russ Fox and Red Hamilton.

On July 10, 1949, the Indianapolis Midget Speedway, sanctioned by the AAA, held a special race for the 20 fastest cars inverted. The race was won by Leroy Warriner from last place. The regular feature went to Mel Hansen.

The 30-lap feature at Terre Haute's "Fastrack" midget speedway on July 7, 1949, was won by Leroy Warriner, over Troy Ruttman, Aaron Woodard and Keith Andrews. Winning heats were Mark Henn, Andy Linden, Ruttman and Bill Baker.

The four-year-old daughter of Keith Andrews suffered a broken wrist when she fell through the stands. She was taken to the hospital by her father, and he returned to the track in time for the feature.

Warriner also won the 30-lap feature at the Lafayette (IN) Speedway on July 8, 1949. He was trailed by John McDowell, Ed Hadad, Rocky Johnson and Potsy Goacher.

Bill Schindler won the ARDC feature at the half-mile dirt track at Hatfield, PA, on April 24, 1949, after starting 13th. He was followed by Len Duncan in a new Ken Hickey Offy, George Fonder in a new Caccia Offy, McAndrew in the Hickey number 19, Joe Barzda in the Brugnoletti number 55, Handshew, Gottier, Koenig, Musselman, Peters and Fornoro.

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Ramblin' 'bout Racin'



On Friday at Columbus 151 we witnessed the second round of the Triple 60s for the late models. In the end it came down to father versus son, as veteran Bill Retallick held off his son Rob to take the win. Bill is a former track champion here, back in 1970, and also won the National Short Track Championships at Rockford in 1971, driving a purple '69 Chevelle to hold off Dick Trickle, which was accomplishing a lot.

Dean Schultz had won the first round of this series several weeks ago and ran near the front tonight as well, but it seemed like nobody could do much on the outside groove. The final round should be interesting, as it is far from being decided yet.

Brian Paszek was on hand with his late model tonight. Brian resides in nearby Madison but lived and raced in the Wausau area for many years, and the car is still kept at his dad's place there. Brian had been stationed in Iraq for 11-1/2 months, only recently returning home and back to his "normal" life, which includes racing. "I kept up with the local racing scene while I was gone," said Brian.

This was only his second race since returning home, the first being a couple of weeks ago at Wausau, where he finished sixth. "I still had to knock the rust off," said Brian. "This is a lot different than driving a Humvee." Some updates were also made to the car recently, as he noted, "It got wrecked just before I left, and we had just gotten it re-stubbed. I think I only raced it once then, so I'm trying to get used to the difference

Late model rookie Tim Woollen is keeping his car looking nice, but not without effort. "Last week I got loose, and the back-end swung out and tagged the wall. We have it looking good again now - just in time for the 60-lapper tonight to get some donuts on it," joked Tim. "Really, though, it is a lot of work to race every week. If you have any other responsibilities besides racing, it is hard." Tim was a double winner tonight,

taking wins in his heat and the semi.

Mike Taylor is racing his old car, as his newer one was severely damaged during a wreck at another track. "It is a slow process, but the car will be back," said Mike. "I'm collecting parts - and money - to fix it now."

Hobby stock racer Jim Robinson was on hand tonight for the second time this season, but he hasn't done as much traveling this year as of yet. "I'm waiting until I get it painted," said Jim. "I've got some new body panels to put on it, but we'll see how straight I can get it looking as to what color we paint it. This is my first race back in a couple of weeks. We broke the timing chain at Jefferson, and it bent six valves. We got the motor back last Friday and put it in Monday." He won the feature tonight despite several cautions which brought the field to his rear bumper.

Late model racer Steve Dobbratz set fast time tonight, which might not be too surprising until you realize that he arrived after hot laps and was the first to qualify. He set the standard right off the bat, and nobody could top it.

The Bandit division timed in clockwise tonight, throwing a few off on their set-ups, which also made for some strange times. Very interesting, to say the least.

On Saturday we took the drive up to LaCrosse, where the Yesteryears Racers Reunion was held at the fairgrounds adjacent to the track. Event promoter Dale Danielski, a former racer himself, understands the importance of remembering the drivers and cars of the past and how they paved the way for us today. Several restored race cars were on hand, representing everyting from old "coupes" to more modern stock cars. Also on hand was a "barn find" 1957 Chevy, which will soon be restored to the way it was many years ago.

Several drivers from the past were on hand to sign autographs and chat, and all seemed to be having a great time. I saw, amongst others, Jim Back and two of the original SuperAmerica "Knights" - Johnny Boegeman and Tom Reffner. Really enjoyed talking with all the drivers. They were such a big part in establishing our area as a hotbed of stock car racing.

Charlie Spry

These drivers really enjoyed their sport, and most never thought about moving away to the big time, as they looked after their families first, worked hard, and played hard, too. I think we have lost a lot of that now.

Some of the more modern cars put on a race during the program, with John Vaasch and his '71 Charger taking the win. Also on hand were two 1965 Impala stockers, which is of special interest to me, as I have a street version. A sharp '57 Ford also raced, and it sounded great, too.

The racing at the speedway saw two minor rain delays, but the show is run off here very quickly. No, they don't cut any races or anything - they just move things along at a rapid pace, with no intermisssion. This track also boasts one of the largest car counts in the state, as far as asphalt tracks go, as there were 30 late models, 40 sportsman cars and a large amount of Thunderstocks. Padding the field even more were approximately 70 four-cylinder Hornets; these cars don't race every week, but they definitely add to the show, as even with a few raindrops falling, few people left before the Hornet features.

Several of the heat races were hotly contested, including the quick heats for those already qualified into the features. Very few runaways, which sometimes can happen on a big track such as this.

Some of the regular sportsman cars could probably qualify as classics as well, as Larry Bolster, Jr., races a sharp 1963 full-sized Chevy, and Jason Dummer races a '65 Chevelle. Also racing were an El Camino and an early '70s Dodge Charger. Lots of different body styles here.

I hadn't been to a weekly show here in several years, but it was nice to see some of the veterans of this track still competing, including Steve Holzhausen, Kevin Nuttleman, Tim Nelson, Mike Belling and Mark Lamoreaux, who makes the trek each week from the Tiwn Cities to compete here.

Seeing all the old vintage race cars makes me want to do this someday it would be fun to do the Retallick Chevelle, or Erik Johnson's '64 Chevy, or perhaps the Ed Hume Mustang.

North Tundra Racing Beat



Upper Midwest swing.

Some few of you dear readers may have noticed that this column was missing last week. No, I was not on vacation. On Sunday, June 5, we went up to Proctor hoping for a full race program, after the previous week's event was rained on after the late model feature. This time a pretty violent storm broke open and sent us all home once again. When we arrived home at the

Rancho Not-So-Grande and I attempted to finish my column, I found my computer was a victim of a power surge.

We scrambled about and purchased a new computer. I'm pretty much computer-illiterate, so I needed help reinstalling all my software and depend on a friend to bail me out in such situations, but she could not help until later in the week, so there went my column.

We are back up and running once again, though I'm still getting used to the new unit. With that said, I'll try to catch up briefly. On Monday, June 6, we made the trip down to Deer Creek Speedway for the 26th Gopher 50. The World of Outlaws Late Model Series' "Dirty Dozen" was more like a "dirty half-dozen," as not all of the contractually-obligated drivers fulfilled their contractual obligations. The most prominent of these was Scott Bloomquist, who completely missed the Series'

Deer Creek is the third different venue in the history of the Gopher 50. Most recently and up until this year it was held at the big half-mile horse track at the Steele County Fairgrounds in Owatonna, MN. The race has always been a charity event and for many years was put on by the Blooming Prairie (MN) Jaycees, with our friend Jerry Ingvaldson as the principal promoter. This year the Blooming Prairie Lions Club took over the operation and moved the event to Deer Creek, and Jerry, who belongs to the Lions, was back in charge of what has become

I asked Jerry why the move, and he chuckled and said that he got kicked off the Steele County Fair Board. "Political move," he explained. It wouldn't be the Gopher 50 without Jerry, though I'd be remiss if I didn't say that the whole deal is a huge undertaking and certainly a team effort.

The folks at the Deer Creek Speedway are also to be commended for the job they did. Randy Queensland was more than gracious, though he was quite busy. We were told when we asked for him that we should stand still, he'd most likely be by soon, and that was the case!

We realized after we got there that all the seats were reserved (and pretty much sold out) and we would not have seats for the feature after we vended our wares. Randy told us that there might be room on the bottom row - it was the best he could do, and we understood that. Then I ran into old friend Mike Wilson, who owns a large petroleum product distributorship in Minnesota. We caught up on what has been going on in our lives, and I was lamenting that we wouldn't have seats for the features. He came back a little later with arm bands that allowed us onto a balcony or into one of the suites. So we watched the show from the comfort of one of the track's new suites - a great view from right over the fourth turn.

We were in a suite with modified ace Mark Noble, who was moving a bit gingerly. I believe he said he was healing from some cracked ribs incurred from a horrendous crash at Deer Creek in a recent mod feature that sent five total drivers to the hospital. He said he was most likely be out of action for at least a couple more weeks.

Again, our thanks to Wilson for coming to our rescue. These suites in the North Building are about twice as deep as the ones in the original South Building and were well filled with race fans. The Queenslands have also just finished erecting a new grandstand just in front of the North Building a couple of weeks ago, which I think must hold a couple thousand folks, at least. Just about every seat in the house was filled with an estimated 4,000 fans.

The race itself was a good one, won by Darrell Lannigan. A pleasant surprise was our little buddy Trent Follmer coming from a 16th-place start to finish fourth. I've recently written that he has a lot of talent and wants to be noticed. I can't think of a better way to be noticed than to pass guys like Jimmy Mars and several other good cars on the way to that finish.

The whole experience at the Gopher 50 was a great one, and it didn't hurt that it was 91 degrees (instead of the 50 back home). We spoke to several people who wondered if they had missed a month! The Gopher 50 used to be run in July but was moved to June this year, perhaps to get away from that hot weather in July; didn't work, but there was a nice breeze that kept it comfortable.

Supporting the program were USAR modifieds, which are essentially the same as WISSOTA mega-mods but on American Racer tires. It was my pleasure to tell everyone in our booth who won the feature, as no one - not even Mark Noble knew that it was 20-year-old Steve Arpin of Fort Francis, Ont., whipping up on the USAR veterans. Did my heart good to see Steve do so well in front of a big crowd. We have watched him since he took over the family ride from dad Chuck when he was 17 and began winning right away. Steve was supposed to have a late model ride this season as well, but that deal fell through. I don't think I'm going out on much of a limb here, but I say that there is no reason why Steve Arpin can't become another great WISSOTA late model driver if given the chance. Anyone on out there have a late model ride for this young man?

Though some fans may have been disappointed that Bloomquist didn't show, the event was a very good one. No disrespect to the Steele County Fairgrounds folks, but the Gopher 50 belongs on a smaller track which makes for closer (and better, in my estimation) racing. Cars get too strung out on the big half-mile.

Our next foray came on June 7, as we drove to Minnesota's Iron Range and the Hibbing Raceway for the now-first leg of the AmsOil Late Model Series. There were 40 late models on hand for what turned into the "Mr. Excitement" show. Terry Casey came from the second row to battle with early leader and three-time Series champ Steve Laursen before taking the lead and showing the way through traffic for his first-ever Series win.

Jerry O'Brien

On Friday, June 10, racing at Superior as called off due to wet grounds. Since we had to decorate for a 50th wedding anniversary party and a wedding reception on Saturday, we opted to fill our racing pangs at the ABC Raceway in Ashland, but their races were also called due to the rain just as we pulled in.

Maybe the third time would be the charm? We headed up the hill to Proctor on Sunday night for their regular five-class program under partly cloudy skies and temps of about 77 degrees. At last, some sunshine, and a chance to get a complete program in the books. (I've always wondered - whose books?)

Little did we know that half the racing world would show up to try to get some racing in after so many tracks again had rained out. It was a promoter's dream as well as his worst nightmare, as a track-record 173 cars crowded in and spilled over the pits, as well as a full house of fans who at last were able to crawl out of their caves and into the sunshine.

Here is where the nightmare comes in: Proctor had four features left over from the last time they attempted to race, and track officials had to get those in first so as to avoid stringing out make-up features over too many weeks. How do you do that? The answer, it turns out, is you don't. Despite starting a little early, all four make-up features were run, followed by 19 heat races, seven B-mains and two regularly-scheduled features, but they came up three features short of a complete program before the track's curfew came around, most likely due to three red flags - two for pure stock rollovers and one for a modified flip, when Steve Arpin and Brad Hanson clashed, with Arpin ending up on his brain bucket. He was pretty steamed and ran over to have a talk with Brad, but I'm sure Steve really didn't want to see all six-foot-three, 230 pounds of Brad Hanson climb out that window!

Actually, the show went over the curfew by quite a few minutes and still ran out of time. Now we are back in the same boat as before, except we only have three make-up features to run on Sunday the 19th. Hopefully - and I never thought I'd say this - we'll get a few less cars, perhaps back to 125 or so. Then again, this was probably good practice for the track's so-called "Proctorberfest" planned for October 8-9.

The positive side of all this was that the packed grandstands and the backstretch parking and grandstands areas were full. I'm sure the concession stands were going gangbusters.

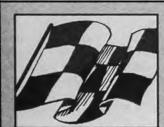
New announcer Mark Fliescher is doing well, catching on to the whole auto racing deal. I'm able to prompt him on some car numbers and name pronunciations, so it all works out well.

For once the pure stocks didn't have the largest numbers at the track. That honor went to the Midwest modifieds, which packed 45 cars into the place.

It is again time to end this thing. Before we go, we have learned that street stock driver Mike Kalkbrenner of Duluth was to undergo cancer surgery on Monday, June 13th. We wish Mike a speedy recovery and hope to see him back in his num-

That's all for this time from here on the finally-warming tun-

Racing Reflections



Alex Coonan and his family were back at Angell Park Speedway in Sun Prairie on Sunday evening with a new car which his father Jim says took 18 months, two hours a day, to build. The body is all-aluminum fashioned with an English wheel. It is a work of art.

Warm-up had hardly gotten under way when Dan Boorse apparently broke a rear axle and took a series of barrel-rolls out of turn 3. As one witness described it, Boorse laid it into the turn and the car took off, almost clearing the fence." Another person who was standing near the fence where the accident occurred said Boorse was really hauling mail, caught a rut, and hit the wall. "Usually the car teeters for a second. In this case it just went. That was ugly."

There are some young men at Sun Prairie who are trying to make a career of racing. Among them is Brad Kuhn, a recent graduate from Purdue in mechanical engineering. Kuhn began in quarter-midgets and mini-sprints and then ran his own equipment on the dirt in 2001 and '03. He began 2004 driving for Butch Dahlke, then switched back to his own equipment.

Kuhn met John Grau, a custom home builder from Phoenix, at a cookout. Grau had tried a stint as a driver but realized it wasn't for him. Grau talked with Kuhn and bought him an engine at the end of 2004. This year Grau decided to get into the sport in a big way, and Kuhn was the recipient of a full deal that included a new chassis and motor. Kuhn has finished in the top five in 14 of 17 races this year.

Another driver with aspirations to move on is Dariny Stratton, who is driving for the Lein Acres team. Stratton began his racing in boats when he was eight years old. He switched to quarter-midgets when he was nine and ran them until he was 16. He was Grand National champion in 1996.

Stratton was the 2001 Western States rookie of the year in midgets. In '02 he was second in points; in '03 he drove a Focus car, and then in 2004 was the rookie of the race at the

Chili Bowl, finishing seventh in the A-main. He also won the

Pacific Coast Open at Hanford, CA, one of the most prestigious races on the West Coast. Stratton's ambition is to drive a stock car on a professional basis someday.

A rookie of the year in 2002, Brian Claas is among four drivers to be in Butch Dahlke's car this summer. Dahlke is taking a summer off from points racing to develop a V-6 motor. He had the car out two weeks ago but struggled with ignition problems.

Bryan Walter says his car lacks in horsepower and hasn't been handling all that well. "I've got to get it to behave," he says. "It is like a demon out there."

Doug Jordon had been sitting in the stands watching since 1972. He had raced go-karts at age 18 and then did some trials riding in District 16 of the AMA before settling into to being a fan. But as he watched the midgets at Angell Park he could smell the fumes, which went right into his blood. When Lance Altman's car came up for sale he decided to buy it. After all, he had his house all but paid for, and the bank was willing to give the 30-year General Motors in Janesville employee the loan. Jordon says he had been practicing sliding sideways on the I-90'ramp in the snow for 30 years in preparation for his debut as a racer. He claims it is more fun than he anticipated, although it is very time-consuming. He used to go fishing three times a week; now he is lucky if he goes once a week. He says that may not be all bad, since the fish probably contain mercury anyway.

Rick Mueller, who is in his ninth year of racing, spent most of last year letting others - Clark, Pickens, Critter Malone - drive his car. The payoff came when he got back in the car the last two nights of last year and found the handling much improved. because of their set-upsuggestions. "I don't have to be scared going into turn 1," Mueller says.

After coming close the week before, Brandon Waelti won the 25-lap feature at Angell Park on Sunday night. It was his first feature win at Sun Prairie since the "Showdown at the Prairie" in July 2002. Waelti started inside on the fourth row and took the lower groove to victory. "I decided to try the bottom," Waelti explained. "The top was erratic. Guys would hit the cushion and the front of the car would flip up, and they would have to

Fr. Dale Grubba

After leading, Nick Lundgren was second in what turned out to be the best race of his career at Sun Prairie. "My car was fast," said Nick, who is in the sport for fun. "I stayed up on the cushion. The other drivers with stronger motors went up higher where it was tacky. If I had known Brandon was coming in the lower groove, I might have tried to move down."

Davey Ray started tenth and quickly moved up to fifth by lap 3. After an accident, he started at the back of the field and made it up to third by the end of the race.

Jason Schuler, driving the Gene Coleman car, was among the drivers at Golden Sands on Friday evening. Saying he is burnt out from all the traveling, Schuler is back on the local scene after fielding his own team in the NASCAR Busch Series in 2003 and the first six races of '04. Schuler has sold all but his speedway car and is presently building a ASA late model for Madison. He still has his ARTGO car from Speedweeks 2001, but he admits it looks pretty ugly. "I don't think the fans want to see me driving around in a five-year-old car," says

Alan Check is concentrating on racing at Plover and in the final four races at Wausau in 2005. He finished third in the WCS race at Plover after starting tenth. With only two cautions in the last 75 laps, it was hard to close on the leaders.

Check is presently driving a car that he and his sponsor purchased from Mark Eswein two-and-a-half years ago. At the time Check had destroyed his car at Marshfield and was left without a ride for Friday nights. When he had the opportunity to drive Eswein's car, he liked it so much that a deal was soon made. Eswein had won three Golden Sands championships and a WCS championship in the car before the sale. Eswein now drives a twin to the car.

In my column last week I mistakenly reported that Chris Weinkauf and his fiancée Wendi had been married last October. The wedding bells will actually be ringing this coming October 15 at St. Francis Church in Merrill.

Kvapil Wins Pocono ARCA 200

LONG POND, PA, June 11 -- The ARCA Re/Max Series regulars threw everything they had at him, but in the end no one had anything for Travis Kvapil.

Kvapil, in his career-first ARCA start, handily won the Pocono ARCA 200 Saturday afternoon at Pocono Raceway, finishing just over two seconds in front of veteran Frank Kimmel, who came from one lap down to finish second. Kvapil, who also won the pole, led 56 of 80 laps en route to the win.

"It's kind of cool to come to a series and a racetrack for the first time and have a victory," said Kvapil. "Obviously we came as probably well prepared as a team could come ... We were here just to get me laps, get me seat time. Every lap I was learning something, trying a little bit different line here or there."

Rookie Joey Miller chased Kimmel to the final stripe in third

but gained ten points on the six-time Series champ by qualifying

second and leading laps.

An unscheduled pit stop under green for a flat left-front tire, as well as overheating issues, caused Kimmel to go a lap down early. But he battled back, got back on the lead lap and chased down the leaders in time to challenge.

RESULTS 1-10: Travis Kvapil, Frank Kimmel, Joey Miller, Chad McCumbee, Michael Guerity, Christi Passmore, Kyle Krisiloff, Todd Bowsher, Jason Jarrett, Bobby

11-20: Dale Schweikart, Brad Smith, Norm Benning, Darrell Basham, Tim. Mitchell, Bill Eversole, Tim Turner, Brian Kaltreider, Burt Ingle, Ricky

21-30; Brandon Knupp, Mark Gibson, Mario Gosselin, Mike Harmon. Benny Chastein, David Ragan, Ken Weaver, Michael Zazula, Johnny



Travis Kvapil takes the checkered flag in the Pocono APCA 200 Saturday (ARCA photo)

Leonard, Brent Cross

31-40: T.J. Bell, Chad Blount, Andy Belmont, Ron Cox, Ryan Howard, Jou Gooksey, Jeff Sennett, Drew White, Mike Koch, Wayne Peterson Fast Qualifier: Kvapil, 54 133 secs (166 257 mph).

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USAC Roundup: Steele Tops IRP 30-Lapper

13 -- Dave Steele of Tampa, FL, captured Thursday night's 30-lap USAC Sprint Car Series race at Indianapolis Raceway Park, leading all but the first two laps. The win was Steele's 11th at IRP but the first in a sprint car in more than five years.

. Trailing Steele to the checkered flag were Bobby Santos III, Bobby East, Josh Wise and Kyle Nicholas, while Series points leader Jay Drake took 12th. Drake leads Dave Darland, who led the first two laps at IRP, by 14 points in the new standings.

Gaunt wins at Perris: Rickie Gaunt of Torrance, CA, won Saturday night's 30-lap USAC/CRA Sprint Car Series feature at Perris Auto Speedway, passing early leader Danny Sheridan on lap 12 and leading the rest of the way. Series points leader Rip Williams finished second. ahead of Cory Kruseman, R.J. Johnson and Charles Davis.

Fast qualifier Damion Gardner was uninjured in a flip during the feature.

Ventura checkers for Kaplan: Ryan Kaplan of Chico, CA, led the final 29 laps at Ventura (CA) Raceway Saturday night to beat Jerome Rodela, Garrett Hansen, former Series champ Wally Pankratz and Steve Paden in the USAC Western Midget Series feature. The win boosted Kaplan to second in the new Series standings.

Series point leader Robby Flock finished sixth. Pankratz was the fastest qualifier for the Ventura race.

Veenstra tops Eureka sprints: Series points leader Kody Swanson finished second to Cody Veenstra of Emmett, ID, in Saturday night's 40-lap USAC Western Sprint Car Series feature at Redwood Acres Raceway in Eureka, CA. The victory was

INDIANAPOLIS, IN, June the first in the Series for Veenstra, whose father Rick won the 1985 USAC Idaho supermodified championship. He led all but the first lap of the race.

> Shauna Hogg led the opening lap but finished ninth. Trailing Veenstra and Swanson were Michael Trimble, fast qualifier Mike Murgoitio and Tony Hunt.

> Rain-outs: Rains forced postponement of Sunday's scheduled "Kenny Irwin Memorial" race at the Winchester Speedway. Track and USAC officials hope to reschedule the race later in the season.

Defending Series champion Jim Waters paced qualifications for Saturday night's USAC/SLVRA Rocky Mountain Sprint Car Series program at Rocky Mountain Raceways in Salt Lake City, UT, before rains forced a halt to the action prior to the feature event.

Other rained-out programs included the USAC Midwest Ford Focus Midget Series event Friday at Lakeville (OH) Speedway and the USAC Northeast Ford Focus Midget Series race on Saturday at Adirondack International Speedway in Lowville, NY.

RESULTS from Indianapolis (IN) Raceway Park, Thursday, 6/9:

USAC NATIONAL SPRINTS Qualifying: Dave Steele, 20.825

Heat 1: Gregory, Steele, Tyler. Heat 2: Pierce, Nicholas, Armstrong

Heat 3: Drake, McCord, Santos. Heat 4: Jessup, Lewis, Hagen. Semi-Feature: Darland, Jones.

Feature: Steele, Bobby Santos III, Bobby East, Josh Wise, Kyle Nicholas, Michael Lewis, Jason McCord, Bud Kaeding, Brian Tyler, Ron Gregory

from Indianapolis (IN) Speedrome, Thursday, 6/9: USAC SPEEDROME KENYON

MIDGETS Heat 1: Henry, Throckmorton, Heat 2: Hennigan, Armstrong.

Feature: Thomas Hennigan, Jonathan Hendrick, Brent Beauchamp, Jacob Wilson, Cap Henry, Clinton Wilson, Jordan Pennington, Dakoda Armstrong, Schenker, Throckmorton.

USAC SPEEDROME FORD **FOCUS MIDGETS**

Feature 1: Andy Baber, Rex Norris III, Jamie Williams, Joshua Clemons, Ricky Ehrgott.

Feature 2: Clemons, Norris III, Baber, Williams, Ehrgott. USAC SPEEDROME REGIONAL

MIDGETS Heat 1: Lennon, Nuetzel, Kenyon. Heat 2: Ligouri, Manifold, Burnett.

Heat 3: Stark, Young, Nuetzel. Feature: Adam Nuetzel, Brad Kuhn, Rex Norris III, Nick Bohanon, Mel Kenyon, Joe Liguori, Deano Lennon, Lee Stark, Dave Fuhrman, Ted Young.

from Kalamazoo (MI) Speedway, Saturday, 6/11: **USAC MIDWEST FORD FOCUS**

MIDGETS Qualifying: Tate Martz, 13.493

Heat 1: Hartsell, Clemons, Light. . Heat 2: Wuerdeman, N. Wagner,

Hansen. Feature: Martz, Ricky Ehrgott Stephanie Mockler, Brandon Wagner, Derek Fisher, Brandon Hartsell, Nick Wagner, Nick Hansen, Josh Clemons, James Robertson. from Perris (CA) Auto Speedway, Saturday, 6/11:

USAC/CRA SPRINTS Qualifying: Damion Gardner, 16.635 secs

Dash: R. Williams, Gardner, Davis.

Heat 1: Gardner, Crawford, Rodriguez. Heat 2: Cline, Sheridan, Ebberts.

Heat 3: Ostling, Jones, R. Heat 4: Ford, Hermansader,

Gaunt. Semi-Feature: Kruseman, Argo, Davis

Feature: Rickie Gaunt, Rip Williams, Cory Kruseman, R.J. Johnson, Charles Davis, Jr., David Cardey, Steve Ostling, Jason York, Tony Jones, Jordan Hermansader. from Stockton (CA) 99 Speedway, Saturday, 6/11:

USAC CALIFORNIA FORD FOCUS PAVEMENT MIDGETS Qualifying: Benny Moon, 13.915

Heat 1: Meier, Sasselli, Moon Heat 2: Davis. Barber, Whitchurch.

Robbie Feature. Moon, Whitchurch, Jace Meier, Alex Harris, Chris Veach, Audra Sasselli, Darrell Herzog, Jon Santibanes, Jeff

Sakowicz, Lindsay Kernohan. from Ventura (CA) Raceway, Saturday, 6/11: **USAC WESTERN MIDGETS**

Qualifying: Wally Pankratz, 12.635 secs

Heat 1: Paden, Mitchell, McKenney Heat 2: Flock, Kaplan, Rodela.

Feature: Ryan Kaplan, Jerome Rodela, Garrett Hansen, Pankratz, Steve Paden, Robby Flock, Stephen Graves, Brian Gard, Tyler Brown, Scott Pierovich.

from East Lincoln Speedway, Stanley, NC, Saturday, 6/11: USAC CAROLINA/VIRGINIA FORD **FOCUS MIDGETS**

Heat 1: Scott, Ray, Hall. Heat 2: Ward, Quinones, Beam. Feature: Robbie Ray, Mike Ward, Terry Hall, Sam Beam, Ginny Quinones, Chase Scott, Aron

from Rocky Mountain Raceways, Salt Lake City, UT, Saturday, 6/11: USAC/SLVRA ROCKY MOUNTAIN SPRINTS

Qualifying: Jim Waters, 14.267

Balance of program: rained out. from Redwood Acres Raceway, Eureka, CA, Saturday, 6/11: **USAC WESTERN SPRINTS**

Qualifying: Mike Murgoitio, 14.625 secs. Heat 1: Hendrix, Swanson, Hogg

Heat 2: Trimble, Petersen, Bumgarner.

Feature: Cody Veenstra, Kody Swanson, Michael Trimble, Murgoitio, Tony Hunt, Tim Barber, Robert Beck, Destiney Hays, Shauna Hogg, Brian Geiszler.

Raikkonen Closes Gap on Alonso after Win in Canada

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MONTRAL, QUE, June 12 -- Kimi Raikkonen cut ten points from Fernando Alonso's lead in the Formula One World Championship by winning the Canadian Grand Prix Sunday for his third victory of the season.

It was the first time in eight races this season that Alonso failed to finish. His points lead stands at 59-37 over Raikkonen.

Raikkonen's teammate Juan Pablo Montoya seemed to have the victory in Canada tied up, but when the safety car came out on lap 48 because of an accident, Montoya's team failed to call him into the pits in time. Montoya pitted on the next lap but, rejoined the field when the red light at the pit exit was on, thus disqualifying him.

Jenson Button started from the pole, but teammates Giancarlo Fisichella and Alonso shot ahead to first and second. Fisichella led for 32 laps before retiring with a gearbox hydraulics problem, and Alonso then took first place, but he slid wide and clipped a wall on lap 39, damaging his car.

This put Montoya and Raikkonen one-two, respectively, but whenthird-place Button hit the wall in the final turn on lap 46, which brought out the safety car, Montoya's crew didn't react in time, while Raikkonen's engineers had him pit immediately.

Raikkonen, who had a problem with his steering wheel, went on to win over Michael Schumacher, who finished on the podium for only the second time this year, by 1.137 seconds. After struggling with gearbox problems during qualifying, Rubens Barrichello worked his way up to finish third, while Felipe Massa held off an attacking Mark Webber for fourth.

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